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British Sweep on Without Pause from Benghazi

Mechanized Units Make Secret Drive Of 200 Miles to Cut Italian Lines

Cairo, Feb. 8.

BRITISH forces in northern Libya, without pausing to celebrate their capture on Thursday of Benghazi, Italian headquarters, yesterday swept southwards along the Gulf of Sidra.

British mechanized forces operating farther south, meanwhile, had covered 200 miles over desert tracks in record time to arrive south of Benghazi somewhere between Solluch and Agedabia simultaneously with columns advancing on the coastal roads from Benghazi.

Thus far, there have been no indications of the number of Italians and their allies taken prisoner. It was known that two divisions normally were garrisoned in that area, but it was considered possible that many had left for Tripolitania before the encirclement was completed.

The advance of the southern column had proceeded as secretly as possible. It has been revealed now, however, that the Imperial Army split near Bomba, between Tobruk and Derna.

Some resistance was reported by this southern column from Mechile, 90 miles west of Tobruk, but afterwards, the Italians offered no serious opposition. Except for a few outposts which the British were mopping up, the whole of Cyrenaica appeared now to be in British hands.

"Brilliant operations by British armoured forces advancing south of Mebel, Evakbar, Jebeal and Ejakbar established them astride Italian communications leading south from Benghazi," the General Headquarters communique reported.

Enemy "Demoralized"

"At the same time, Australian troops advancing from Derna gave the retreating enemy force no respite. Demoralized and out-manœuvred, the enemy was unable to put into effect plans for defence of Benghazi.

"In Eritrea," the communique said, "the situation about Keren (important railway station) is developing in a satisfactory manner. The total number of prisoners since our troops entered Eritrea already exceeds 3,500 and many more are coming in.

"In that area, east of Agordat and Barentu, the way is littered with Italian war materials, either destroyed by our action or jettisoned by the enemy.

"In Abyssinia, the advance along the Gondar road is progressing and prisoners also were taken in this sector.

"In Italian Somaliland, on the whole front our patrols are successfully enlarging the area of penetration."

R.A.F. Active

The R.A.F. communique said British planes bombed Benghazi heavily on Wednesday night, facilitating capture of the town. The communique also reported that British bombers simultaneously strafed the aerodrome at Benina and raided Berka, Jedabya, Cheren and Assab.

The South African Air Force, the communique said, shot down two Italian fighters near Asmara and destroyed three at an aerodrome at Bahrdar.—United Press.

Struggle Begins In Abyssinia

Two Positions Captured By South African Units With Little Effort

With South African Forces In Abyssinia, Feb. 8.

The battle for Abyssinia is now under way. South African troops in large numbers have crossed the border from Kenya and captured a strong Italian post at Gorai crater, 20 miles inside Abyssinia.

The Italians suffered considerable losses both in men and materials. At least 30 Italians were killed and about the same number were wounded and 47 were taken prisoner.

This action was based on a battle carried out with superb generalship and great courage by troops who never previously had been in action.

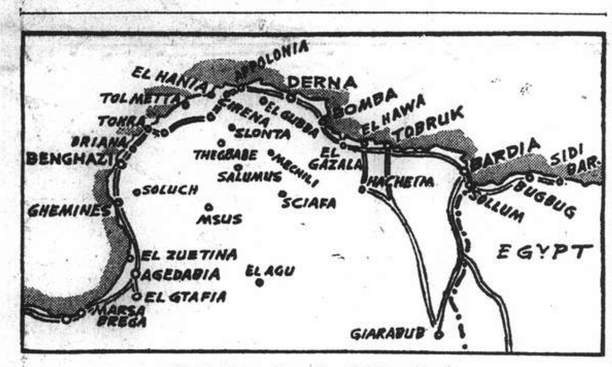
Two forces penetrated into Abyssinia simultaneously. The object of one was to capture and hold the fortified position of Elgumu—the junction of the road from Gorai to Ganchiaro. The second force was to capture and hold the Gorai front.

Both tasks were accomplished by the same date. Elgumu was taken at four o'clock in the afternoon and Gorai an hour later after a sharp engagement lasting 50 minutes.

Gorai was taken by an inexperienced unit containing some of South Africa's youngest soldiers, formed since the outbreak of war.

After preliminary skirmishes, the trenches, rock pill-boxes and the guns pounded the Italians in their fort. The position was then carried by a swift and intensive onslaught.

Gorai is an extinct volcano containing sulphurous water, which is strategically important in an almost waterless region.—Reuter.



Vast Area Now in British Hands

The above map shows the vast area which has been taken by the British Imperial Forces since they began their drive into Cyrenaica after the capture of Sidi Barrani two months ago. Position after position has fallen before the swift onslaught directed by General Wavell, British Commander-in-Chief of Middle East Forces, culminating in the surrender on Thursday of Benghazi, Marshal Graziani's last and most important base in Cyrenaica. Driving relentlessly forward, British mechanized units yesterday were reported to have advanced beyond Benghazi in two columns, one along the coastal road, and the other overland.

Donovan in Cairo

Cairo, Feb. 8.

Col. William Donovan, personal envoy of President Roosevelt, arrived here today from Palestine.—Reuter.

Prospect of Immediate Attack on Tripoli Already Being Discussed

Effort Would Demand Great Staff Effort to Keep Communications Open, But Bait Said Tempting

London, Feb. 8.

The fall of Benghazi, though inevitable, took place even sooner than was thought possible. Italian resistance in Cyrenaica must have completely collapsed, observes Reuter's military commentator.

With the exception of one rearguard action, there seems to have been little more called for from British troops after Derna than to face fatigues of rapid marches. It will be interesting to learn whether the last of the Italian army of Cyrenaica surrendered around Benghazi or whether its remnants are trying the long retreat towards Tripoli, a retreat which would indeed be a dreadful one, harassed and attacked from the air by the R.A.F. and possibly on the road by day and night by hostile Arab bands.

The great strategic question of a further advance on Tripoli itself remains to be decided. Undoubtedly it will call for a great British staff effort to organize lines of supply, but command of the sea and air in North Africa will be of material assistance.

From information available it does not appear that the Italians could assemble a large powerful force before Tripoli, and in those circumstances there is no undue strategical risk in undertaking this further advance. There are many reasons which urge an advance.

The great moral effect on the Italians themselves as well as on the world at large, including Britain's other enemies, are not the only advantages to be secured by the capture of Tripoli. There is the possession of a good harbour, which would be of great importance for the support of British naval operations in central and eastern Mediterranean bases. The possession of aerodromes there nearer to Malta and Sicily than any others at present available is well worth fighting for.

Moreover, it is important on this occasion at least to forestall Nazi occupation.

The General Italian collapse, however, is not confined to Libya.

British advances into Abyssinia are rapid and highly successful. In Eritrea the British have captured another 3,500 prisoners since their attack opened.

Prolonged Italian resistance does not seem possible to Italians in Africa. Even if they attempt a stand at Keren or Asmara, both these important places can be turned from the south.—Reuter.

British Take Benghazi in Sandstorm

Imperial Forces Now 400 Miles from Sidi Barrani

With British General Headquarters in the Middle East, Feb. 8.

With another lightning leap forward in their record-breaking advance across North Africa, British Imperial forces on Thursday entered Benghazi last Italian stronghold in eastern Libya after a swift and sudden battle in a blinding sandstorm. Italian resistance was believed to have been negligible.

An idea of the magnitude of the British success can be obtained from consideration of the fact that less than two months have elapsed since the beginning of the offensive, yet British troops are now 400 miles from Sidi Barrani and 600 miles from Alexandria.

Today British uniforms can be seen in the palm-lined avenues of Benghazi, providing the bewildered inhabitants with evidence of the crack-up of the Italian Empire.

Despite the rapidity with which Benghazi has fallen, a complete scheme for British administration of the occupied territory was already in existence.

Tanks Play Big Role

Looking back on the whole Libyan campaign, it is clear that British tanks played an astonishing role, charging forwards hundreds of miles and taking one point after another completely by surprise.

In the case of Libya the British advance has been carried out not only by the coast roads, but also by an interior road running clear across Cyrenaica behind a mountain range.

The capture of Benghazi was another masterstroke of strategy comparable with the capture of Sidi Barrani. The Italians had expected an attack along the coastal roads through most difficult country.

Instead, British armoured troops swept across 130 miles of barren and waterless desert from El Mechili, along tracks only used by an occasional caravan, to attack Benghazi from the east, appearing like a bolt from out of the desert blue long before the Italians anticipated an attack.—Reuter.

30 Years' Rule Ended

Cairo, Feb. 8.

With the capture of Benghazi, the whole of Cyrenaica, apart from a few isolated posts south of Benghazi, is now in British hands, the military spokesman stated today.

It is not believed here that the Italians intended to defend Benghazi. The spectre of resistance before Derna was probably intended to give Italian troops time to escape.

News from Benghazi is still scanty, and it is not yet known how many men remained of the Italian divisions recently encamped around the town.

The capture of Benghazi not only ends 30 years' Italian domination in Cyrenaica, but also erects a barrier of 300 to 400 miles of almost waterless country against an attack on Egypt from Tripoli.

Interest here is already beginning to shift to Abyssinia, which with the fall of Benghazi now has been deprived of all communication with Italy. Important operations are now proceeding on this front. Italian troops again are showing little stomach for battle, and are surrendering in large numbers.—Reuter.

Australia Rejoices

Melbourne, Feb. 8.

"A magnificent effort: our forces must have had a motor race—extraordinary how the Italians cleared out."

This comment was made today by Major-General Sturdee, Commander-in-Chief of the Australian Imperial forces, when he was told of the capture of Benghazi.

General Sturdee arrived here last month from the Middle East.

Mr. Fadden, Acting Commonwealth Prime Minister, said he was delighted at this culmination of the brilliant successes of "our Australian boys."—Reuter.

India Also Surprised

New Delhi, Feb. 8.

The fall of Benghazi came as a surprise to New Delhi, where interest in the African campaign has been heightened by the distinguished part played by Indian troops.

It was not generally known that British Imperial troops had advanced so far.—Reuter.

Athens Says "Well Done"

Athens, Feb. 8.

News of the capture of Benghazi was received in Athens with unbounded joy and enthusiasm, states the Athens Radio.

"It had been confidently expected that this most important Italian military and naval centre would fall to the British commander's strategy," said the announcer, "but the rapidity of the advance has taken the world by surprise almost as much as the Italians themselves.

"A significant detail is the relief with which the British liberators are received by Italian colonists in African towns they take. Our congratulations go to our great ally. Well done!"—Reuter.

Army's "Best Performance"

London, Feb. 7.

The British press gave prominence to the fall of Benghazi, quoting the official comment which termed the victory as "probably the best military performance of our army ever put up."

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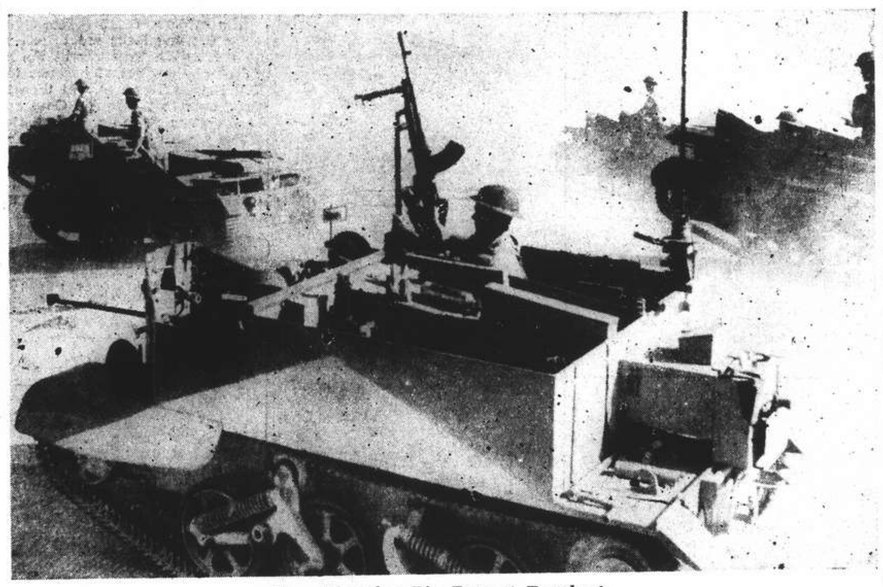

They Played a Big Part at Benghazi

This cluster of British Bren-gun carriers was caught by the camera during the preliminaries that led to the capture of Bardia. In desert fighting they more than proved their worth. Manned by Australians the machines shown in the picture possess a high speed and manoeuvreability—important factors in desert warfare. Against Benghazi they again proved their worth.

R.A.F. Pierces Fog to Bomb "Invasion Ports" Again

Two Great Blasts Across Channel Shake Doors and Windows in Kent; Little Activity Over Britain

London, Feb. 8.

GERMAN invasion ports on the French coast were subjected to one of the severest poundings they have yet experienced last night, when powerful formations of British bombers roared across the Channel and started huge fires with a steady rain of bombs of all kinds and calibres.

The centre of the attack appeared to have been the Boulogne area, which was bombed heavily the previous night.

The Channel was obscured by fog all day, but last night there was some improvement, although later mist hung over the sea.

The raiders, which had to drop parachute flares, were subjected to a terrific anti-aircraft barrage, streams of tracer bullets and "flaming onions," which could be seen on the south-east coast of England above the fog.

The explosion of heavy bombs echoed across the Channel, and at frequent intervals the sky over the bombed area was lit up by brilliant flashes.

Two Vivid Flashes

After the raid had been in progress for an hour, two vivid sheets of orange flame shot up from a point east of Boulogne, accompanied by violent explosions which shook doors and windows of houses on the Kent coast, and soon afterwards a bright red glow spread across the sky, apparently from a fierce fire which was itself screened by a bank of fog in the Channel.

Little German air activity occurred over Great Britain yesterday.

During the morning, stated the Air Ministry, bombs were dropped by a single German aircraft on a town on the north-east coast of Scotland, injuring a small number of people.

Another plane in the afternoon attacked a town on the east Anglian coast where some damage was done and there were a number of casualties, including some which were fatal.

Destroyer Downs Bomber

The British destroyer Vanity has shot down a German Dornier, twin-engined bomber which was attempting to attack a convoy.

An Admiralty communique says that a direct hit was made on the German plane which crashed into the sea. There were no survivors. No damage or casualty was sustained by the convoy or the destroyer.—Reuter.

Six Killed at Prayer

London, Feb. 8.

When rescue workers recovered six bodies from the ruins of a Roman Catholic Archbishop's house at Portsmouth after a recent air raid, it was discovered that all six victims had been struck down in the act of kneeling in prayer. Three priests had also been trapped when three high-explosive bombs fell on the building, but they were saved by girders holding off the debris and joined the rescue party in a vain effort to save the six others, all of whom were members of the Bishop's domestic staff.—Reuter.

Italians Suffer Heavy Casualties

Enemy Said "Mowed Down" By Greeks in Abortive Counter-Attack

London, Feb. 8.

Large forces of advancing Italian infantrymen were literally mowed down by Greek fire in two hours of an abortive attack on the Albanian battle front yesterday, according to the Athens Radio.

The announcer stated that the Italians were driven back, leaving many dead on the field.

The Greeks made a bayonet charge and drove the Italians beyond their lines, taking many prisoners and a considerable quantity of war material.

This desperate Italian attack was launched when the weather was still bad, and was supported by an artillery barrage.—Reuter.

Athens, Feb. 8.

Greek artillery and patrols have "caused serious damage to the enemy" on the Albanian fronts, the War Ministry communique said.

Towns in Epirus and a town in western Peloponnesus were bombed by the Italians with little damage and no casualties, the Ministry of Public Security reported.

The Government spokesman denied Italian claims of Greek naval losses, stating that throughout the war that no Greek destroyer or merchantman had been sunk by the Italians.

The spokesman claimed the Greeks had sunk three Italian submarines as well as transports totalling 35,000 tons.

The Greeks repulsed two counter-attacks Thursday, he reported.—United Press.

Salonika Landing Denied

Athens, Feb. 8.

The semi-official Greek news agency denies a Budapest press report that four divisions of British troops have landed at Salonika.—Reuter.

Treasure Island to be U.S. Naval, Air Base

Washington, Feb. 7.

The United States Navy has leased Treasure Island from the City of San Francisco and intends to convert it into a naval and air base. Treasure Island is situated in San Francisco Bay.—Havas.

Hitler Determined to Dominate Whole World, State Experts

Two Theories on Possible Means of Attempting "Mein Kampf" Objectives Are Discussed

New York, Feb. 8.

BEHIND the fierce determination of Britain and the United States to stop Chancellor Adolf Hitler lie two motives—the belief that he hopes to dominate the world economically and then, with that weapon, to dominate it politically, writes Mr. Louis F. Keemle, United Press war analyst.

There can be no doubt that the overwhelming force of opinion in both countries is in favour of scotching Chancellor Hitler. The only debate is on methods, especially on the extent to which the United States will go without actually taking up arms.

Unless he has changed his ambitions, and there is no indication that he has, Chancellor Hitler is out to become ruler of the World. He concludes "Mein Kampf" with the ominous statement, "a state which in the epoch of race poisoning dedicates itself to the cherishing of its best racial elements must some day be master of the world. Let the adherents of our movement never forget this."

Two interesting viewpoints on what the future may hold have been presented recently. One was the annual report to congress of Mr. Henry A. Wallace, Vice-President, written while he was still Secretary of Agriculture.

Mr. Wallace took the view that if Chancellor Hitler won, he would open an economic war against the United States which might be a prelude to armed invasion to enforce his wishes. By such pressure, with the support of his allied and subjugated vassals in the Occident and Orient, Mr. Wallace believed, Chancellor Hitler woud move into the United States and Latin America by a vast shifting of popuations.

The movement, Mr. Wallace said, would be the spearhead of political domination which would threaten the overthrow of American institutions.—United Press.

Winston Churchill to Broadcast Today

London, Feb. 8.

It is announced that the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, will broadcast in the B.B.C. home and overseas services at 8 p.m. on Sunday, February 9.—Reuter.

Peace Delegates' Informal Meeting

Thai, French, Japanese Meet at Matsuoka Home; Decoux Tours Border

Tokyo, Feb. 8.

The Japan, Thai and French delegations to the mediation conference for a settlement of the Thai-French Indo-China border dispute, which opened at the Prime Minister's official residence on Friday afternoon, held their first informal meeting from 3 to 5.30 o'clock this afternoon, the Information Board announced in a communique issued at 8 o'clock this evening.

A joint communique issued by Japan, France and Thailand through the Information Board declared:

"The first informal meeting was held at the official residence of the Foreign Minister at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The meeting was attended by Mr. Hajime Matsumiya, delegate, Mr. Ototsugu Saite, Secretary-General, and several others assistants to the mediation conference for Japan; M. Charles Arsene-Henry, M. Rene Robin, delegates, and two of their assistants for France, and Prince Varnvaidyakara, Colonel Phra Silpa Sastrajim, Mr. Phra Sri Sena, delegates, and two of their assistants for Thailand.

"The second informal meeting will be held at the official residence of the Foreign Minister at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, February 9."—Domei.

Decoux on Border

Hanoi, Feb. 7.

Vice-Admiral Jean Decoux, Governor-General of French Indo-China who arrived at Siemreap on February 5 to inspect conditions along the Franco-Thai border, spent the night there and then proceeded to Angkor yesterday.—Domei.

20,000 Ex-Servicemen Enlist in India

Influx Releases Numerous Younger Men for Duty

Bombay, Feb. 8.

The expansion of the armed forces of India has resulted in such a demand for ex-servicemen that some 20,000 of these have rejoined already. They are being given various static duties in garrison companies and as guards of strategic railways and prisoners of war, thus releasing younger men for field service.

The flow of recruits from the regular army thus continues uninterrupted, and expansion programmes are proceeding according to schedule. Many territorial units which have been trained to a certain point also are being invited to join the regular army. In one instance a whole battalion responded.

There is also increased enlisting for the I.A.O.C., where 500 young Indians are being trained immediately as responsible storemen combatant to replace British and other ranks and to act as reserves.

The output of the small arms school is increasing by several hundred the Viceroy's commissioned officers and Indian non-commissioned officers.

Provision is being made to train unit clerks combatant for cavalry, infantry and artillery. A school is being established for this purpose, with an output of 1,200 a year.

The regiment of Indian artillery is being strengthened by expanding the output of the artillery school.—Reuter.

Fund Over £2,000,000

New Delhi, Feb. 8.

With spontaneous gifts pouring in at an average monthly rate of £127,000, the Viceroy's War Purposes Fund totalled well over £2,000,000 at the end of last year.

Of this total over £1,000,000 was sent to England, including £668,000 for aircraft for the R.A.F., £113,000 for the Lord Mayor of London's Air-Raid Fund and £24,000 for the British Red Cross Society.

Payments made in India from the fund, included £175,000 for warplanes and £50,000 for amenities for the troops.—Reuter

U.S. Neutrality Act Ban Retained in Aid Bill

Prohibition of U.S. Merchant Ships from War Zones Endorsed in Amendment Given Previous Approval of House Foreign Affairs Committee

Washington, Feb. 8.

THE House again debated yesterday on the Aid to Democracies Bill and approved an amendment retaining the ban against travel by American merchant ships in designated war zones.

The amendment—previously endorsed by the House Foreign Affairs Committee—declared that none of the provisions of the measure should alter the Neutrality Act, banning American merchant ships from war zones designated by the President.

The House by 185 votes to 94 defeated an amendment to exclude Russia from receiving aid under the lend-lease provision for arms to nations whose defence President Roosevelt considered vital to the defence of the U.S.

Mr. George H. Tinkham, Massachusetts Republican, in proposing the amendment, said, "Russia is against everything in the Anglo-Saxon world."

Administration leaders, however, pleaded for defeat of the proposal, warning it would tend to drive Russia towards the Axis orbit and would be a "gratuitous slap in Russia's face."

Before the vote on Mr. Tinkham's amendment, the chair threw out on a point of order a substitute amendment which provided that neither the President nor any Government agency could send any American ship to any belligerent nation or through a combatant area unless an area ceased to be a combatant area.

Spending Limit Opposed

Earlier, Mr. Sam Rayburn, Texas Democrat and majority leader, said the Administration would fight any further amendments except those approved by the Foreign Affairs Committee.

Mr. Rayburn conceded, however, that some amendments might be offered which would be "acceptable" to the Committee, but indicated the Administration was opposed to the proposal of Mr. James W. Wadsworth, New York Republican, to limit spending to U.S. $7,000,000,000.

Mr. Luther Johnson, Texas Democrat, said that House approval of Mr. Tinkham's amendment would be regarded as a "gratuitous slap" at Russia.

Russian "Buffer"

"Is it a wise precedent," Mr. Johnson asked, "to slap Russia's face now when Germany, Italy and Japan are trying to get her into the Axis? It would be most pleasing to Hitler and Japan if the House adopted that amendment."

Mr. Johnson earlier had agreed to an assertion of Mr. Warren Magnuson, Washington Democrat, that Russia was the only buffer the U.S. possessed in the Orient against Japan.

Mr. John W. McCormack, Massachusetts Democrat, declared the amendment was "unwise and dangerous."

Several minutes before adjournment until today, the House tentatively amended the bill with a provision that a maximum of 10 per cent. of defence equipment for the Army, Navy and Marine Corps purchased by 1941 appropriations could be transferred abroad.

Enactment Expected

The amendment was sponsored by Mr. Sol Bloom, New York Democrat and chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, and meant that approximately U.S. $1,300,000,000 worth of war supplies could be exported.

Leaders expected final enactment of the bill today.

The Bloom resolution was adopted by a voice vote, to which there was no opposition. Mr. Bloom said the amendment merely was "a friendly limitation" and indicated it had not been submitted for the Executive Department's approval.

Substitute Proposal

Mr. Bloom offered the proposal as a substitute to the amendment of Mr. John Taber, New York Republican, placing a limit of U.S. $500,000,000 worth of current Army and Navy equipment which might be sent abroad.

Mr. Taber supported Mr. Bloom and said his own proposal was not an attempt to limit the value of materials which might be handed over to other nations from future appropriations made under the authority of the lend-lease bill.

The House rejected by 183 votes to 122 an amendment by Mr. Hamilton Fish, New York Republican, seeking to forbid President Roosevelt to transfer any naval vessel to a belligerent power without the consent of Congress.—United Press.

Democrats Determined

Washington, Feb. 7.

Leaders of the Democrat party in the House of Representatives are determined to send the Lease-and-Lend Bill to the Senate before the end of today with "no more concessions."

They are not attempting to remove the amendment proposed by the Republican Representative, Mr. Everest M. Dirksen, on Monday empowering a Congress to terminate the Bill at any time. The House adopted this amendment yesterday while 65 Democrats were out lunching.—Reuter.

U.S. Air Expert Pessimistic

Major A. Williams Doubts Britain's Ability To Accomplish War Aim

Washington, Feb. 8.

Major A. Williams, aviation expert, yesterday expressed doubt before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that England had the ability to win the war.

"To accomplish the only war aim expressed thus far, namely, crushing Hitlerism, would require the invasion of the continent," Major Williams said. "I believe that is a physical impossibility."

Testifying on the Aid to the Democracies Bill, he said that in the American air force "no single squadron possesses planes equipped to enable pilots to hold their own on the European battlefront."

Major Williams differentiated between Britain's winning the war and protecting its own territory and said he did not know whether the British would be able to defend their own shores, but in any event he felt it impossible for Britain to win.

Major Williams said the bill would weaken U.S. air power, which he described at present as a "myth" and charged it would be a "deadly and potent" threat to American liberty and way of life and the representative form of government."

Colonel Henry Stimson, Secretary of War, in a letter to the Committee, said sale of American aeroplanes to Britain would assist in building up the British Air Force, which "now reasonably can be expected successfully to meet the crisis this year."

Colonel Stimson said such sales also would strengthen U.S. defence.—United Press.

Empire Training Plan Showing Results

Contingent of R.A.F. Men From Canada Reach U.K.

London, Feb. 8.

More evidence of the fruits of the rapidly growing Empire Air Training scheme were provided yesterday when a contingent of R.A.F. personnel from Britain who had completed their training in Canada, returned with their "Wings" yesterday.

They were accompanied by new Australian and Canadian pilots.

The new pilots arrived at a Scottish port and will be followed at regular intervals by thousands of volunteers, including men hailing from Australia, Ceylon, the Malay States and other parts of the Empire.

The British contingent were mainly sergeant pilots who had joined the R.A.F. early in the war and had completed their ground training at home before being sent to Canada some months ago.—Reuter.

Action Against Communists Denied

Chungking, Feb. 8.

Rumours that Chinese Communists were forming an independent army or that punitive measures have been taken or are contemplated against them were denied by the Chinese military spokesman today. Recalling that the Chinese Communists pledged allegiance in September, 1937 to the Three People's Principles (Kuomintang Platform) and undertook to abide by orders of the Government, the spokesman pointed out that the Communists are now simply one section of the Chinese national forces of which they constitute about two per cent.—Reuter.

Lord Moyne Likely to Succeed Lord Lloyd

London, Feb. 8.

It is learned that Lord Moyne, formerly Under-Secretary for War, is among those mentioned as successor to Lord Lloyd as Colonial Secretary. An official announcement will be made shortly.—Reuter.

Japanese Evacuation of America Due In March and April, Says "Asahi"

One Hundred and Fifty Women and Children Reported Leaving New York Because of Delicate Situation

Tokyo, Feb. 8.

One hundred and fifty Japanese women and children of New York Japanese families will evacuate the United States shortly as a result of a decision by Japanese businessmen because of the imminent German spring offensive and the delicate Far Eastern situation, the "Asahi Shimbun" reported today.

The Japanese women and children would leave aboard the Tatsuta Maru and the Nitta Maru, which depart from San Francisco on March 27 and April 11, the "Asahi" said.

On account of slack business from the American anti-Japanese economic pressure, the South Manchurian Railway and Kanebo (biggest cotton spinning mills in Japan) have decided to close their New York Offices, the "Asahi" reported.—United Press.

New Commander In Hawaii

Gen. Short Relieves Gen. Herron at Strongest U.S. Pacific Military Base

Honolulu, Feb. 8.

Major-General Walter G. Short yesterday relieved Lieutenant- General Charles D. Herron as Commanding Officer of the Hawaiian Department, America's most powerful Army post.

The change of command was accomplished during a colourful ceremony at Fort Shafter, in which the 64th Coast Artillery and colour guards of every military organization at Oahu passed in review.

They bid the new commander welcome and gave an "aloha" to the old commander.

Gen. Herron, on his retirement, received a letter of congratulation from Gen. George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army.

Mrs. Short pinned a third star on her husband's shoulder, he thereby becoming a lieutenant-general.—United Press.

Benghazi Taken In Sandstorm

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Well informed circles pointed out the capture of Benghazi, situated only 365 miles from Malta, proves the great help the British Navy in the Mediterranean is giving.

The harbour of Benghazi may be entered in any weather and the new harbour completed in 1935 with a depth of between three and a half and seven fathoms, can be used by large cruisers, it was said.

Embarkation facilities are excellent and repair facilities are also great.—Domei.

Cyrenaica Controlled

London, Feb. 8.

The capture of Benghazi, Italian Libyan headquarters, by the British Thursday "means that we have captured Cyrenaica (eastern Libya)," British military authorities said yesterday.

British forces covered 160 miles in seven days, culminating their sprint with the capture of Benghazi, the military figures stated.

The Army, Navy and R.A.F. cooperated in the attack, with the Navy effective along the coast. Extremely bad weather and raging dust storms were encountered on the last lap, the troops meanwhile encountering only slight resistance, the authorities said.

Strategic Results

The British victory, they said, brought a number of strategic consequences.

Firstly, it threw the Axis back 700 miles from Alexandria and 800 miles from the Suez Canal, making impossible an effective bombing campaign from African bases against British naval power in the eastern Mediterranean.

Secondly, it gave the R.A.F. bases within easy bombing range of Sicily, which is less than 45 miles from Benghazi. Thus the R.A.F. will be able to cooperate with the Fleet's air arm in frustrating Chancellor Hitler's attempt to close the central Mediterranean channel by bombing operations from Sicilian bases.

Thirdly, it deprives Italy of an important naval base and port and makes it almost impossible to reinforce Marshal Rodolfo Graziani, Commander-in-Chief of Italy's African Forces, as the lanes between Italy and the remaining port, Tripoli, are under constant surveillance by British air and naval units.

Thus it appears that Tripolitania is at the mercy of General Sir Archibald Wavell, Commander-in-Chief of British Forces in the Near East, if chooses to continue to advance.

Fourthly, Chancellor Hitler's only remaining hope of shaking the British grip on the eastern Mediterranean appears to lie in a thrust through the Balkans, but even if the Nazi leader sends his forces as far as Istanbul, they still will be more than 800 miles from the Suez Canal.—United Press.

Prisoners to Build Road

Capetown, Feb. 8.

Four thousand Italian prisoners will be employed on the construction of a national road from Capetown to Worcester, 109 miles away, and through the Montagu Pass.

The remainder of the total of 20,000 which the South African Government has agreed to accommodate will be employed in other state departments.—Reuter.

U.S. Press Comment

New York, Feb. 8.

"The overwhelmingly important thing is that it gives the British the initiative and compels Germany to begin calculating what the other side will do next," says the "New York Herald-Tribune" on the Benghazi victory, which it compares in strategical importance to the Nazi seizure of Norway.—Reuter.

Response to Salvation Army Campaign

The 1941 Appeal Fund of the Salvation Army yesterday soared to beyond $68,000, following generous response from both Chinese and foreigners. The donations included three of $250, ten of $100, and eight of $50 each, it was stated yesterday by Brig. B. Morris, who is directing the campaign, the goal of which $175,000.

He is being ably assisted by Mrs. Morris, Maj. and Mrs. H. Woodland, Maj. and Mrs. E. Wilkinson, Adjutant and Mrs. D. F. McIlvenny, Adjutant Feng Shi-kuan and Capt. Li Lu.

Army Headquarters are at 40 Nanking Road, Sassoon Arcade, and donations should be sent to that address.

The new list of donations follows:

Balance brought forward			$62,488
Java China Trading Co.			250
Tai Kang Kung-szu			50
Miss Joyce Kirichok			10
Hartzenbusch Motors			10
N.C.MacGregor	250	A.M.Sopher	25
Mr/Mrs.Rounds	250	A.A.Simko	25
J.Lefontaine	100	J.A.Greenfield	25
S.W.Yeh	100	M.P.Walker	25
H.J.Collar	100	F.G.I.Kendell	25
J.Fistere	100	A.D.Murphy	25
Lien Chung Co.	100	F.C.C.Pan	21
Anon	100	R.A.S.Waters	20
W.Cohm	100	P.M.Streit	20
Mr/Mrs.R.Silby	100	Lo Pao-cheng	10
Anon	100	Lo Fei-cheng	10
Hsiang Mei-fang	100	Kuo Chih-ming	10
W.C.Bond	50	H.Z.Lee	10
K.G.Stephenson	50	Chang Chu-lian	5
K.Rothe	50	Chang Hsu-ming	5
J.H.Green	50	Yao Chin-fang	25
S.M.Carlsle	50	Hsieh Tsung-ping	20
C.J.Evans	50	Li Chu	5
Mr/Mrs.E.Jacobs	50	Kuo Hsieh-lien	5
C.V.Syms	30	Chen Hsin-chang	5
			$65,008

BY SAPAJOU

Mr. A. J. Percival

Briton's Prison Term Reduced in Japan

Osaka, Feb. 8.

The Osaka Court of Appeals sentenced Vincent Pieters, 47, a British subject, to five years imprisonment for alleged violation of the military secrets protection law, Japanese sources said today.

Mr. Pieters, who Japanese said was a "spy," had appealed from an eight year sentence imposed by the Kobe district court. He was arrested in January, 1940, aboard the Taiyo Maru while alleged to have been trying to escape from Japan to Hongkong.

During his trial, the prosecutor said Mr. Pieters had tried to learn military secrets regarding Japanese cruisers, submarines and aeroplanes.—United Press.

China's Trade In 1940

Only Twenty Per Cent. of Customs Receipts Go to Free China

Chungking, Feb. 8.

During 1940 "Free China" ports registered a favourable balance of trade to the amount of $79,975,000. imports being $57,209,000 against $137,184,000 in exports, according to figures released by the Maritime Customs. Taking China as a whole trade was unfavourable to the amount of $68,294,000. Mengtze in Yunnan had the largest volume of trade, importing $21,016,000 worth of goods and exporting products valued at $10,597,700 and exports amounting to $46,024,000.

Shanghai topped all ports with imports totalling $758,309,000 and exports $1,372,810,000. Free China was able to collect only 20 per cent. of the total customs receipts of $475,700,000, the remainder being collected in Japanese-occupied areas.

The United States held first place in China's exports. Hongkong was second, importing $367,502,000 worth of goods, while Britain was third with imports amounting to $196,798,000.

In China's imports the United States held second place, selling $435,486,000 worth of goods to China while Japan in the occupied areas sold $466,289,000 worth of products altrough she imported only $126,408,000 worth of goods from China. British India was third, exporting goods worth $175,275,000.—Reuter.

Taxi Dancer's Child Abducted from Home

Letter, Demanding Money, Received by Boy's Mother

A letter demanding $1,000 for the return of her four-year old child was received at 4 p.m. yesterday by Mrs. Wong, a Chinese taxi dancer, whose boy, Wong Siau Bing Koo, disappeared from outside his home at 158-9 Sinza Road shortly after noon yesterday.

Mrs. Wong immediately reported the abduction to the Sinza police station and investigations were started. Up to a late hour yesterday, however, the boy was still in the hands of his abductor.

Hearst Files Suit For Libel

$500,000 Case Against Magazine "Friday"

New York, Feb. 8.

Mr. William Randolph Hearst, wealthy publisher, and the International News Service yesterday filed suit against Friday, Inc., charging its magazine "Friday" had "unbelievably" falsely accused them of receiving a monetary subsidy from Germany.

"We are willing to furnish the Jury all the information the company has regarding Hearst," Mr. Dan Gilmore, "Friday's" President, declared.—United Press.

U.S. Railway Unions Call Strike Vote

Washington, Feb. 8.

Mr. B. M. Jewell, Secretary of 14 major railroad labour unions, yesterday said strike ballots will be sent to 750,000 employees of class one railroads February 15. Union leaders will meet March 26 to count the ballots and decide the future course of action.

Railroad labour law provides that there must be a 60-day waiting period after a strike tally before a strike can be called.

Meanwhile, in Cincinnatti, Mr. George Harris, President of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, said the brotherhood was "ready to force a showdown" with the railroads over union demands for paid vacations.—United Press.

Veteran China Hand To Offer Services

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Percival Leaving Port Soon

Mr. A. J. Percival, M.I.E.E., is relinquishing his position as managing director of Messrs. Inniss & Riddle (China), Ltd., at the end of February and is sailing on February 25 for England to offer his services.

Mr. Percival received his engineering training with the British Thomson-Houston Co., Ltd., and came to China 20 years ago after having spent nine years in Japan with the Kaigunsho on explosives. He has travelled extensively in the Far East. He was chairman of the China Centre of the Institution of Electrical Engineers 1933 and 1934, president of the Engineering Society of China 1939-40, chairman of the British Chamber of Commerce Engineering Committee for many years and has just resigned the chairmanship of the Federation of British Industries Chinese Students Selection Committee of which he has been a member since its formation. He has also served on the Committees of the British Residents Association and St George's Society. Mr. Percival is a member of the Shanghai Club and Hungjao Golf Club.

It is understood that Mr. and Mrs Percival's home address will be "Taeda," Windsor Road, Gerrards Cross, Bucks. They are looking forward to welcoming their Shanghai friends there after the "invasion."

No-Confidence Vote in South Africa Rejected

Capetown, Feb. 8.

A motion of no confidence in the Government, moved in the House of Assembly by Dr. Malan, Opposition leader, was defeated by 78 votes to 59 last night. An amendment by the Government was carried by 76 votes to 59.—Reuter.

Lindbergh's Deportation Urged in Texas

Austin, Tex., Feb. 8.

A resolution asking that Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, leading isolationist, be "reduced to the rank of buck private and deported to whatever part of Hitler-controlled territory he may choose," was introduced yesterday in the Texas House of Representatives.—United Press.

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London Welcomes Winant Selection

New American Ambassador To Britain Expected to Leave in Ten Days

Berne, Feb. 7.

Government officials in London express great satisfaction at the appointment of Mr. John G. Winant as new United States Ambassador to Great Britain.

A prominent British personality said today that Mr. Winant made his decisions only after mature consideration, but that he never changes them once taken.

Mr. Winant has had considerable experience in European affairs particularly on problems pertaining to labour organization.—Havas.

To Leave in Ten Days

Washington, Feb. 8.

Mr. John Winant, new United States Ambassador to Britain, will probably leave for England in ten days time, according to an announcement by President Roosevelt.—Reuter.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee yesterday unanimously approved President Roosevelt's nominations of Mr. John G. Winant as Ambassador to Britain, and Mr. Clarence E. Gauss as Ambassador to China.

The Committee also unanimously approved Mr. Edwin Wilson as Ambassador to Panama, Mr. William Dawson as Ambassador to Uruguay, and Mr. Anthony Drexel Biddle, Jr., as Ambassador to the refugee governments of Poland, Belgium, Norway and the Netherlands at London.

Also approved were the appointments as Ministers of Mr. Alexander Kirk to Hungary, Mr. Pierrepont Moffat to Louxembourg in Canada, Mr. Bert Fish to Portugal and Mr. Nelson T. Johnson from the Ambassadorship to China to the Ministership to Australia.

The Senate was expected shortly to approve the Committee's recommendations.—United Press.

British to Redeem Indian Loans

London, Feb. 8.

Financial transactions involving £90,000,000 between the United Kingdom Government and the Indian Government were announced by the British Treasury yesterday.

The holders of five Indian Government Sterling loans are to sell them to the British Treasury at the price ruling at the close of business today. The British Treasury will then hand them over to the Indian Government at the same price for cancellation.

The payments will be made by the Indian Government out of large sterling balances which have been accumulated by the Indian Government since the outbreak of war as a result of the large increase in British imports from India.

The decision to do this was made following the realization that India's large sterling balances might properly be used for debt redemption.—Reuter.

Reported Conference In Shanghai

Tokyo, Feb. 8.

Admiral Thomas C. Hart, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Asiatic Fleet, has ordered the convening of a conference of American naval officers stationed in the Far East at Shanghai to discuss measures to cope with developments arising from the opening in Tokyo of the mediation conference for a settlement of the Franco-Thai dispute, the newspaper "Nichi Nichi" reported in a special despatch from Shanghai.

Basing his information on Shanghai diplomatic circles, the correspondent in his despatch said that the conference would be presided over by Colonel DeWitt Peck, Commanding Officer of the Fourth Regiment, United States Marines, stationed in Shanghai, and will be attended by Captain John M. Creighten, U.S. Naval Attache to Chungking and officers stationed at Peiping, Bangkok and Singapore.—Domei.

German Invasion Failure Foreseen

Britain Today an Armed Fortress of Tremendous Strength, Says Sikorski

London, Feb. 8.

A German attempt to invade Britain is "doomed to failure," and General Sir Archibald Wavell's lightning victories in Libya "are decidedly checking Hitler's plans in the Mediterranean and North Africa."

These were the two main points made by the Polish Premier and Commander-in-Chief of the Polish Army, General Sikorski, in a broadcast to Poles in Poland from London last night.

He stated that the "Germans cannot undertake any serious action in Africa without the occupation of French territories on the Mediterranean. But they must first take possession of Malta, and it is imperative for Hitler to defeat the invincible British Navy in order to carry German land forces across the sea.

Invasion Imperative

"But none of these actions would speed up the end of the war. A brutal and conclusive invasion of Britain remains for them the only solution. An invasion of Britain and Ireland would certainly not represent one of those 'crushing offensives' which, according to Dr. Goebbels, the Germans are always preparing for during 'long but creative lulls.'

"German soldiers are as a rule panicstricken at the thought of an invasion. Britain is today an armed fortress of immense strength, whose defences on land, sea and air are such that any attempt to dominate her is doomed to failure."—Reuter.

New Gliding Record

Fukuoka, Feb. 8.

Establishing a Japanese soaring record of 13 hours, 38 minutes and five seconds, Tadao Kawabe, glider pilot, landed this morning. The previous Japanese record was 11 hours and 30 minutes.—Reuter.

More Men Demobilized In France

Vichy, Feb. 7.

The demobilization of a second batch of men belonging to the class of 1938 in the French army will start on February 25, it was officially announced today. The first group of soldiers belonging to this class were demobilized last month. The demobilization of the second batch will take place by fractions, as soon as new enlistments allow for a sufficient number of men to be kept under the colours.—Havas.

Morocco Makes Large Contribution

Vichy, Feb. 7.

A total of Frs. 25,000,000 has been contributed so far by French Morocco to the National Relief Fund in France. The latest cheque, amounting to Frs. 5,000,000, was sent today to Marshal Philippe Petain, the Chief of State, by Gen. Emile Nogues, the Resident-General in French Morocco.—Havas.

Adm. Darlan Returns To Vichy

Berlin, Feb. 8.

Admiral François Darlan, Vichy Navy Minister, has returned to Vichy from Paris after two conversations with M. Pierre Laval, former Foreign Minister in the Vichy government. Between these talks, says the official German news agency, Admiral Darlan saw M. Fernand de Brignon, Vichy's Ambassador to Paris. No hint of the nature of the talks has been given by the news agency, which merely states that political questions were discussed.—Reuter.

Hanoi Denies Japanese Troops at Saigon

Hanoi, Feb. 7.

The report that an undetermined number of Japanese troops were sent from Haiphong to Langson on February 4 was termed completely groundless in an official communique released here today.—Havas.

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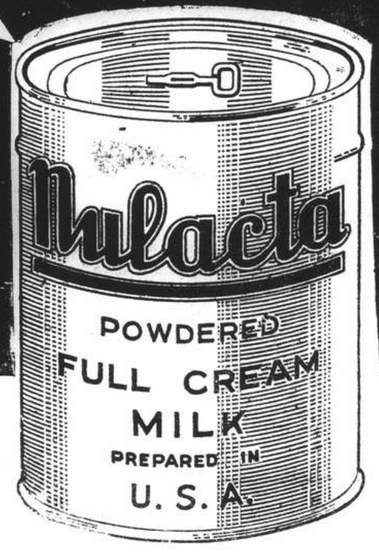

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1 ,,	,,	,,	$ 6.90

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Romance and Reality

in Shanghai — by Ann Sterling

Fashion Note for February: Ear-muffs, a cold-in-the-head, three mufflers, at least one extra fur coat and—not enhancing the figure but vastly adding to your comfort—woollen underwear of the heaviest weight obtainable.

This is exactly our idea of suitable attire for days that commence with deceptive spring sunshine and end with a wind that sweeps right down Nanking Road from the North Pole—gathering venom during the journey.

The other night—as we shivered miserably over the heartless radiator, snuffling miserably—we decided to "get a good sleep" and dutifully swallowed an aspirin. We beg your pardon—a pellet of acetyl salicylic acid.

Perhaps the imposing name overwhelmed us. . .at any rate, we did sleep, and dreamed of our favourite West Indian island, where green cane fields rustle softly like the sea and the Spanish Main sparkles into the blue distance.

Contrasts

Since variety allegedly introduces the essential spice of life, Shanghailanders who have ventured afield have no reason to complain of boredom.

If they went to Peiping "below zero" weather was the rule, with the city snowbound. And in Australia there was a heat wave—on Christmas Day, at that.

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War News

Our military correspondent..yes, we have one..reports that letters received here announce General John Duncan, bluff, placid, imperturbable Commander-in-Chief of the Shanghai Defence Force in 1927, under whom Viscount Gort, former Commander-in-Chief of the British Expeditionary Force in France served as Chief-of-Staff, is now serving in the Home Guard at ..... *(deleted by censor.)* Commanding officer of the detachment is Brigadier-General E. B. Macnaghten.

General Duncan—through efficiency, diligence and other merits which make good soldiers—has been promoted to the rank of corporal. That—our military correspondent declares—means beer all round

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Farewells

Shanghai is saying good-bye to yet another couple, long-time residents. Due to leave the end of this month are Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Davidson, who will go first to South Africa, eventually to England.

They are being widely entertained—two of last week-end's affairs including dinner parties in their honour given by Mr. Arthur Piercy and Mr. and Mrs. J. Haynes Wilson at the French Club.

Mrs. Davidson has been an active member of the B.W.A., serving on numerous committees during the past year.

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Snow and Ice

Off to Japan's Shiga Heights for the skiing, you know, journeyed a valiant group of Shanghailanders this week. They much prefer the snow and ice of the peaks to the unseasonably balmy weather here.

Included in the snow and ice enthusiasts were Mr. and Mrs. Boris Krenov—Mrs. Krenov, of course, is Shanghai's most adept on the tennis courts—Mrs. S. Nickells, Mrs. Nadia Fletcher, Mrs. Lydia Hutchison and others.

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At the Jetty

Due here next week is Mr. F. Tillman Durdin, of the "New York Times," who has been on leave in the United States. Mr. Durdin is widely known for his accounts of events in Nanking, Hankow and Chungking, is a veteran of China's air raids.

Friends of Miss Helen Burton of Peking are expecting to welcome her back to China in the near future. She has been in the United States for the past year. Miss Burton's curio shop is a landmark in Peking.

Current activities of Mr. Edgar Snow—in Shanghai recently and now in the South—include preparation of a series of articles on current Far Eastern problems for the "North American Newspaper Alliance" and the "Saturday Evening Post." A new book by the author of "Red Star Over China" is appearing early this year.

Mr. John Alexander, British Press Attache, has returned from a "flying" trip to Japan. Leaving Shanghai in the President Coolidge is Mr. R. T. Bellaire, of the United Press, bound for long leave in the United States. And Mr. Relman Morin, roving Associated Press correspondent formerly stationed in Tokyo...is now in Batavia. He was in Shanghai during the Christmas holidays.

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"Full House"

And speaking of the B.W.A., Thursday's Musical and Dramatic Section programme was a huge success, with special commendation to Mrs. May Pecaric, who directed the public and Thomas Hanbury School students, and Miss O. E. Symons, responsible for the Cathedral Girls' School presentation.

Mrs. May Pecaric

Children's concert director. *Joseffo*

Blue Skies

Business and pleasure, not to mention the lure of white sand and sparkling sea, drew a number of Shanghailanders southward in the President Monroe.

Bound for Manila, on a round trip, were Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Keswick, while Mr. Walter Kelly, Mr. J. A. Mackay and General F. A. ("One-Arm") Sutton were booked for Hongkong. Mrs. Henry Cohen was a passenger for Capetown.

As it happened..so many longed for a holiday in the sunny south that bookings could have been filled at least twice over.

Mrs. A. J. Percival

Leaving soon for England. *Kensington*

Departure

Lt.-Col. Jiro Saito, popular Shanghai Army Press Bureau chief, left Shanghai for Tokyo by air on Thursday.

Tuesday afternoon, Colonel Saito and his successor, Major Kunio Akiyama, were hosts to pressmen at a jolly cocktail party at the Astor House. On Wednesday, leading foreign correspondents gave a farewell tiffin at the Metropole for the departing officer.

Present at the party were Commander N. Hazama, Mr. K. Hayashi, Mr. Ken Murayama, Domei; Mr. Clark Lee, Associated Press; Mr. C. M. McDonald, "The Times" (London); Mr. A. P. Finch, London "Daily Telegraph"; Mr. Randall Gould and Mr. Fred Opper, "Christian Science Monitor"; Mr. Robert T. Bellaire and Mr. Max Fisher, United Press; Mr. Victor Keen, "New York Herald-Tribune"; Mr. Douglas Robertson, "New York Times"; Mr. M. C. Ford, International News Service; and Mr. T. J. Aldeguer, Reuters.

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American Troop

Tiffin in the sunshine, as the guests of Captain and Mrs. N. F. Allman, proved a fit finale for American Trooper after their annual Point-to-Point last Sunday.

Gay and informal, the party again showed the results of the Great Exodus. Five men to one woman was the average, among the groups scattered over the lawn. Mrs. Allman, wearing a smart frock of Saxe blue wool, made a charming hostess.

Guests of the Allmans, Captain Allman, of course, commands the American Troop, included Mr. F. P. Lockhart, Colonel DeWitt Peck, Colonel J. W. Hornby, Major and Mrs. L. R. Andrews, Major C. J. Doughty, Mr. and Mrs. R.T. Bryan, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Franklin, and Lieut. W. B. Hughes.

Winner of the Point-to-Point, Trp. A. V. Striker, received a huge cup . . which was presented by the Consul-General, Mr. Lockhart.

Active

During her many years in Shanghai, Mrs. A. J. Percival has been extremely prominent in women's organizations. With her husband, Mrs. Percival is leaving Shanghai soon for England.

She was a member of the library committee of the B.W.A. and has long been associated with the King's Daughters' Society as one of its most active members. Her chief interest was in hospital visiting, an activity to which she gave a vast amount of time.

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News From Evacues

From Sydney—Shanghai's other Shanghai, since so many former residents now are living there—comes belated news of a Christmas heat wave. Yes, the Sunday before Christmas was the hottest they've had for years.

Numerous expatriates from the Far East celebrated the holiday, not in the snow, but in the blistering sunshine at Sydney's famed Bondi Beach.

One graceful gesture: members of the New South Wales Police Association entertained 70 children of members of the Hongkong Police Force, sent to Australia for safekeeping.

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Courageous Coward

Incidentally, Noel Coward, who visited Shanghai recently and lingered long enough to dazzle the citizenry with a super-broadcast, is still in Australia.

He compered a matinee for the British war fund, after kissing the leading lady of his play "Private Lives," due to open at the Sydney Theatre Royal this week.

It must be a frightful strain for the lady having so exacting a theatrical taskmaster as Noel Coward supervising his own play. Coward of course, writes, acts, directs and sings in his own productions. According to the papers, he sang a song at the matinee . . . one of his earlier, slightly cloying numbers, presented with an appropriate shudder.

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Return

Back from long leave, arriving in the President Monroe, is Mr. A. J. H. Carey. Mrs. Carey and their two daughters, Eileen and Helena, former Cathedral School for Girls students, are remaining in Vancouver.

Eileen and Helena are enrolled at York House. They will be especially remembered here for their part in making the last St. Patrick's Ball a success. Dressed in the gay costumes of Irish peasants, they passed programmes at the door of the ballroom. Mr. Carey is secretary of the St. Patrick's Society.

Major V. E. Duclos, Canadian Government Trade Commissioner, Mrs. Duclos, and their children also returned from furlough in the President Monroe.

"N.C.D.N."

After The Ride

Another group of guests at the enjoyable buffet tiffin given by Captain and Mrs. N. F. Allman after the American Troop Point-to-Point. Discussing events are Lt. F. W. Schlobohm, Tpr. H. A. White, Major C. J. Doughty, Tpr. L. R. Moore and Mrs. White.

Philatelically Speaking

The stamp auctions by the British War Efforts Committee are gaining popularity—and financial support. This week's auction has some interesting specimens, according to philatelic friends. Exhibited at Kelly & Walsh's, it was noted that women as well as men previewed the offerings and keen interest was demonstrated.

This shows that stamp collecting is no longer the schoolboy's hobby. In Shanghai, a score or more shops specializing in higher-price values cater to the trade, as well as lots of Chinese exchange shops who get their supplies from the Chinese office boys' perquisites lifted from the mail.

These auctions are putting Shanghai on the map as one of the stamp centres of the world, since exportation of valuable postage stamps from Britain and Dominions has been forbidden.

Our informant advises philatelists: Look at the Newfoundland offers and pockets will not be stretched for marvellous values.

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Sentiment

Most sentimental of holidays—all bleeding hearts and cupids and true love—is St. Valentine's Day. It's not a bad idea, either, this custom of sending flowers and candy to mark a holiday. With scarlet tulips blooming in Nanking Road windows, the graceful gesture is made easy.

Of course, Valentines are not limited to such transitory gifts. Like the famed Lorelei Lee, a blonde, you know, many women agree it's nice to have one's hand kissed, but a diamond bracelet lasts forever.

Bon Voyage

Among the final affairs in honor of Mr. J. W. Carney—who is sailing in the Cleveland—was the cocktail party last Tuesday given by Mr A. C. Cornish, at which staff members of his Company said goodbye to their departing chief.

On Thursday, Mr. J. A. Mackay and several officers of his organization gave a tiffin party in honour of Mr. Carney at the Tower. Mr. Mackay of course sailed for the south in the President Monroe.

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In Peiping

Well-known in Shanghai are Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Fette, who have just returned to Peiping from six months spent in the United States.

Major Edward Hagen, U.S.M.C., former Assistant Naval Attache Shanghai, who also served in Peiping, is now stationed in Cuba. Mrs. Hagen is living near Washington, D. C., and her water colours and pastels are being exhibited at the National Museum this month.

Captain and Mrs. Thomas M. Shock are now living in Coronado, California. Commander Shock formerly was U. S. Naval Attache in Peiping.

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Wedding

Of wide interest to Shanghai was the announcement of the marriage in Manila—on February 1—of Miss Jean Gassaway and Mr. H. E. Arnhold.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnhold are due this week-end from the Philippines, arriving in the President Cleveland.

"Winsome Winnie's" Grandson

Informal portrait of Mrs. Randolph Churchill, daughter-in-law of the Premier, and her six-weeks old son, Winston Spencer Churchill. She is the eldest daughter of Lord and Lady Digby and was the Hon. Pamela Digby before her marriage last year.

Dining and Dancing

Crammed to the brim, and almost as gay as on New Year's Eve, was the French Club last Saturday for the weekly dinner-dance.

We noticed among the many dancers on the oval floor, Miss Dallas Lee Franklin, wearing a surf blue satin frock. Mr. and Mrs. Eric Clarke. Mr. Charles de Muralt. Miss Jane Richardson, in a striking cover-up frock of jade green and black jersey. Mr. "Al" Young. . .

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Davidson. Mr. George Pearson. Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Wootton. Mr. Arthur Piercy. Mr. Charles Carroll. Mr. Richard Cousturier. Major and Mrs. S. R. Hunt. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Rainals. Mrs. G. Halberg. Mr. C. J. Knipschildt. . .

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It's A Date

Since Shanghai now is a city almost bereft of balls, the Russian National Evening at the French Club on February 28, for the benefit of St. Tichon's Orphanage, is being anticipated.

The ball, gay with folk dances, picturesque national costumes and pretty girls, will launch St Tichon's annual appeal for funds. Note: good cheer for all, vodka will be sold at a special booth.

Among those sponsoring the ball and assisting in preparations Lady Maze, Mme E. Barraud, Mr. A. H. George, M. Roland de Margerie, Mr. G. W. Boissevain, Judge Milton J. Helmick, Mr. W. J. Keswick, Mr. G. S. Henchman, Mr. G. E. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Jaspar, Mrs. A. Corritt, Mrs. W. R. McBain, Mr. E. F. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Franklin, Mrs. J. P. Mee, Mr. E. M. Yannoulatos, Mr. J. Kindness, Mr and Mrs. G. Findlay Andrew and others.

Busiest People

You probably couldn't find an open date in the engagement book of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd R. James, Jr., who are sailing for the United States in the President Cleveland with their young daughter, Leslie Pride.

Dr. Dana Nance entertained in their honour at a Chinese dinner and Mr. J. W. Patrick was their host at a French Club party. Another host was Mr. H. M. Sperry.

Mrs. Floyd James, Jr.

Sailing for America. *Joseffo*

One of the most enjoyable of the James *bon voyage* affairs was the dinner party, followed by bridge and mah-jongg, at which Mrs. E. A. Meyerink was hostess.

"N.C.D.N."

Lively Discussion

A jolly group at the Allman reception following the American Troop Point-to-Point last Sunday. Included are (left) Major L. R. Andrews, the host, Mrs. Andrews, Cpl. E. Mandelert and Lt. John Mokrejs.

Light Horsemen

Second enjoyable reception for members of the Light Horse was held last Sunday at the home of Captain and Mrs. Hugh Maitland, following the Point-to-Point.

Prizes for the Point-to-Point and for the Section Ride, held on the previous Tuesday, were presented by Mrs. G. H. Mann.

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Congratulations

And by the way, congratulations to Major G. H. Mann, new Commandant of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps, promoted Lieut.-Colonel to take over the corps after the departure of Colonel J. W. Hornby, due to sail shortly.

Colonel Hornby already is farewell partying, with last week's police dinner one of the first official affairs in honour of the popular commandant.

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Winning His Pink

H. Azadian on Steve Brodie coming in first in yesterday's hunt to register his first win and thus secure his Pink.

Saints Finish Season in Style With 4-0 Victory Over P.T.H.

School Defence Plays Well To Avert Catastrophic Defeat; Kidby and Foyn Outstanding Forwards

PLAYING against a depleted team, both in players and spirit, the S.F.X. won their last League game of the season yesterday afternoon when they defeated the P.T.H. by four clear goals in a match devoid of thrills. Had the Saints taken all the opportunities that came their way, the score would have been doubled.

Playing against the wind in the first half, the Saints found it difficult to get going and were mostly on the defence, but the poor shooting of the P.T.H. forwards nullified their initial advantage. Kidby was the only forward with any sense of accuracy, but he was greatly handicapped by the others, particularly by Dobrenky, who wasted numerous chances by dilly-dallying instead of passing to his colleagues. R. Watson was weak, too, and gave little support.

The defence of the P.T.H., however, played splendidly and had it not been for Leriou and Caro, the score would have been catastrophic. The P.T.H. skipper appeared everywhere, but he could do little to help the forward line, being continuously occupied in defending his goal.

For the Saints, Freddy Foyn was the best of the forwards and was rather unfortunate in hitting the cross-bar on several occasions. The other forwards were off colour, it seemed, but Cecil Edwards redeemed himself somewhat by bagging two goals.

S.F.X: L. Ussankoff, Schultz, Garwood, H. Pettersson, W. Pettersson, M. Greenberg, Laskovski, Foyn, Karolitch, F. Edwards, C. Edwards.

P.T.H.: Schneierson, Katemopoulos, Logan, Caro, Leriou, Popoff, Griffiths, Watson, Kidby, Tivoniuk, Dobrenky.

Missing the services of Huff Cochran, the P.T.H. players found themselves on the defence in the first minutes of the contest and Schneierson was called upon to negotiate a strong drive from Freddy Foyn, when the latter shot from about fifteen yards. The P.T.H. goalie dived at full length to bring off a fine save.

Referee Booed by Crowd

A few moments later, the P.T.H. centre-forward threw a fine chance to the winds by shooting wide with Ussankoff completely out of position. On another occasion, Karolitch broke through, but Logan raced after the S.F.X. centre-forward and managed to kick the ball out. The Public School forwards again brought the ball up the field following a movement originated by Caro. The right half passed the ball to Watson, who in his turn, tapped to Kidby. The P.T.H. player shot a powerful grounder, bringing Ussankoff down to concede a fruitless corner.

This was the last effort of P.T.H. in the first half and from then on the Saints dominated. In the 39th minute, Foyn received the ball from W. Pettersson and shot from about 30 yards. The ball hit the inside of the upright and rebounded. The majority of the crowd applauded Foyn for his effort and thought that the referee would point to the centre, but the arbiter, after consulting with his linesman, ruled the game to continue. Boos and hisses greeted the referee's decision.

Tables Turned in Second Half

The picture was completely changed in the second half when the Saints started playing with the wind. In the fourth minute, Katemopoulos was carried off the field when he collided with an S.F.X. forward. A moment later, F. Edwards brought the ball toward the P.T.H. citadel and passed it to his brother. The latter steadied himself and slammed the leather into the upper corner of the net for the first goal.

Katemopoulos returned a few minutes later, but his return did not help the defence as the Saints scored their second goal in the thirteenth minute through a misunderstanding between Leriou and Caro. Laskovski centred, and both of the P.T.H. halves rushed to the ball and then stopped. Karolitch seized the opportunity and raised the score to 2-0.

It took the Saints exactly three minutes to bring the account to 3-0. Foyn received the ball from Laskovski and passed it to F. Edwards. The latter again tapped the leather to C. Edwards, who banged in the ball from only a few yards out. Schneierson made an effort to stop it, but the leather entered the net well out of his reach. The fourth and the last goal of the game came in the 40th minute when Foyn passed to F. Edwards for the latter to convert with a fine grounder.

Results At a Glance:

First Division

S.F.X. 4—P.T.H. 0

Third Division

Judeans 3—J.A.C. 0
Hotspurs 2—4th "B" 0
Aurora 4—Wha Lien 4

Ladies International Hockey Draw Announced

The draw for the forthcoming International ladies hockey tournament, which has aroused more than casual interest not only among the players but the followers of ladies hockey as well, was announced last night and Sunday, March 2, has been set for the opening tussle. The drawing took place in the presence of Mrs. A. da Silva, of the A.S.P., and Miss Mary Malinovsky, representing Sokols.

Four nations have entered but Great Britain will be represented by two teams, the Whites and the Blues, while the other competitors are Portugal, Russia and Palestine. In the opening round Britain Whites will meet Palestine on March 2. One of the principal engagements of the second round is the Britain Blues and Portugal clash, which is planned for March 8. Meanwhile the winner of the Britain Whites-Palestine game will meet Russia on March 9.

The final match has been set for March 16th, and in view of the fine standard of hockey that has been displayed by the ladies this winter this deciding match should produce an exhilarating brand of hockey which should be well worth while watching.

An alteration in this week-end's programme of ladies' hockey was also announced last night and the following is the revised schedule.

Saturday, February 15

S.L.H.C. *v.* Erin Villa

Sunday, February 16

Sokols *v.* A.S.P.
Betar *v.* S.J.S.
J.A.C. *v.* Erin Villa

Shanghai United Hockey Team Today

S'hai United "Trojans" *v.* S.H.C. "Harlequins" Ground No. 2 at 2.30 p.m.

United "Trojans":—J. P. Jones, K. M. Pate, R. Watson, J. Gilchrist, E. V. Chanturai, J. Greenberg, R. Murray, E. Tethrington, P. Bojesen, S. Wilde, A. Tourieff. Reserve: S. Remedios.

Crusaders Edge Out Lusitano In Close-Fought Hockey Game

Portuguese Lead 1-0 At End Of First Balf; Bradford Responsable For Both Club Goals

BREAKING a one-all deadlock in the last ten minutes of the game the S.H.C. "Crusaders" scored the odd joint in three to beat the Clube Lusitano in a friendly Association hockey encounter at the Race Course yesterday afternoon. The Club, though represented by a formidable array of talent, found the Portuguese extremely difficult to beat. A strong rally in the second half, however, saw them tie the score and then go on to register the winning point.

Yesterday was not a day for the Club forwards to scintillate and they had little chance to show their worth as the spoiling tactics of the opposing halves broke up what little pretty combination they did display. It was King, on the left-wing, who proved to be the most convincing in the Crusaders' attacks as he displayed a knack in stopping the ball in his difficult position and in sending hard centres to the edge of the circle. Bradford was his quick-witted self when he grasped two golden opportunities presented him to drive in both the winners' points.

Outstanding Player

There was one player who stood out on the losers' line-up, and he stood out alone; this was Sortie Collaco, whose stone-wall performance at left back was one of the highlights of the match. It was he and Van der Voort at the other end who were mainly responsible for giving both goalies an easy time.

Though S. Collaco was prominent, this did not mean that the rest of the Clube team were not up to scratch; on the contrary, they played well enough to prevent the Crusaders from combining for any length of time. On a speedy side, Alberto Collaco proved to be the fastest of them all at inside-right and the opposing defence had a hard time in combatting his slippery tactics.

The Portuguese were extremely lucky in this respect for they scored the first goal of the game when the Club had no man between the posts. Within the first five minutes, Costa burrowed his way through the Crusaders' defence and ran the ball almost right into the goal-mouth, putting the finishing touches to his goal with a reverse drive.

Unexpected Goal

It was not until 15 minutes after the interval that the Club managed to tie the score. Their goal came about in an unexpected manner when Kendall showed a rare turn of speed to catch up a long forward pass. Just as the ball was about to go over the goal-line, he overtook it and tried Fernandes with a weak drive. The goalie stopped it but cleared it right on to the stick of Bradford, who made no mistake and sent the ball sizzling into the goal from six yards out.

Ten minutes later and the Crusaders jumped into the lead for the winning point with Bradford scoring in almost an identical manner. This time the ball came in from the left wing through one of King's hard centres. Brand collected the pass and aimed for the far corner of the Lusitano goal. Fernandes saved, but again he failed to clear the ball well out and Bradford beat him with a vicious drive that echoed on the goal-boards.

The teams were:—

S.H.C. "Crusaders":—Lowe; Sardeman, Van der Voort; Wilmer, Scheltus, Wallace; Lintilhac, Kendall, Bradford, Brand, King.

Clube Lusitano:—Fernandes; Maher, S. Collaco; Pintos, Silva, G. Collaco; Nery, A. Collaco, Kermani, Costa, J. Collaco.

Bing Crosby-Bob Hope's British Charity Golf

Bob Hope and Bing Crosby are teaming up with a pair of golf pros for a tour of the country in charity matches for British War relief. They will make personals at theatres in towns where they play, that coin also going for war relief.

Duke of Windsor expected to join them on the Florida circuit.

London Counties Start Preparing For Cricket

London, Feb. 7.

London Counties Cricket Eleven who, together with the British Empire team, saved cricket from extinction last season, are already looking ahead to next season.

The Committee, on which Andy Sandham and Jack Durston are serving, are satisfied with the achievements of last season both on and off the field.

Fixtures will be arranged shortly and the team will continue to operate in the London area, though they may seek more matches in the "safe" areas. It is expected that the players who appeared last summer and are engaged on war work will again be available.

Several county clubs have emphasized the importance of members making a sacrifice by keeping up their subscriptions. Many of the appeals have met with fine response, but Leicestershire were a little disappointed. By rigid economy, however, the balance in hand of the Club is approximately the same as in February last year. The financial statement shows this balance to be £792.

Although no country cricket was played last season, members of Yorkshire County Cricket Club paid £2,640 in subscriptions. The deficit on the year so far amounts to £250. The Committee made grants to grounds where County matches are normally played; £300 each to Sheffield, Leeds and Bradford, £100 to Hull and £50 each to Harrogate, Hudersfield and Scarborough.

Followers of Kent cricket will be interested to learn that 1,200 members have continued all or part of their subscriptions. "Very noble of them" is the comment of the county secretary "considering that the peace time membership is a bit over 3,000."

Essex cricket enthusiasts will be agreeably surprised to hear that the club made about £160 on last summer's working.—Reuter.

P.T.H. Beat Cathedral School in Junior Game

After a hard-fought and extremely interesting match, the P.T.H. beat the Cathedral School in a junior soccer encounter by the clear-cut margin of 5-2 yesterday. A paradoxical feature of the match was the fact that although the Cathedral Schoolboys lost, they had the better of the exchanges throughout the game, particularly in the second half when they kept the ball continuously in the P.T.H. area.

Kirushkin was top scorer for the P.T.H., netting the ball on three occasions from almost impossible positions. He was considerably aided by the velocity of the wind which made the flight of the ball deceptive. Prihoda, another up-and-coming P.T.H. player, scored the two remaining goals.

Hall managed to score for the Cathedral School just before the end of the first period, while Cox slammed in a beauty in the 30th minute of the second session. But try as they would, the losers failed to score any more points, mainly through the expert defence of P. Gilchris and the goalie, Davie.

The teams were:

P.T.H.: Davie, Tukachinsky, Klyhn, Dunk, Gilchrist, Moreland, Masters, Calsen, Prihoda, Kirushkin, Kargansky.

Cathedral School: Pomnle, Gauntlett, Marshall, Alexander, Morris, Southerton, Tuggett, Cox, Hall, Edwards, Baker.

Greens Triumph 3-0 Over Erin Villa

Now Virtually Certain Of Winning Senior League By Reason Of A.S.P. Defeat

In a rather scrappy tussle, the Greens, despite fielding only 10 players were still able to emerge victorious over the Erin Villa by the count of 3-0 in an "A" division match of the Ladies Hockey league yesterday. The Greens, quite unaware of the fact at the time of their game, were made virtual winners of the league this year by reason of the defeat of the A.S.P. by the In Uno in another tilt at the Race Course.

There was not a very brilliant display of hockey by either side but the Greens, though playing indifferently were still superior over the Erin Villa in all departments of the game. Without the services of a left wing, their forward line was decidedly lacking in push and although they were more aggressive than the losers, poor marskmanship within the circle, saw many of their efforts in bringing the ball up the field go to waste through careless shooting or through the failure of the forwards to follow up their shots.

Frances Wood generally reliable as a back was also seen to have made several errors and allowed the Erin Villa to break through often. She started off quite well but as the game progressed, and as the team held a three-goal lead, she seemed to have laxed in her vigilance and was guilty of mishitting at the most critical moments. Outstanding for the Greens was Joan Harling who, despite playing in the pivotal position of centre-half, still found time to dash into the scoring circle and score twice.

The Erin Villa eleven showed definite signs of improvement and put up much stronger opposition than was generally expected. Anne Waller worked like a trojan in the centre-half berth and was chiefly instrumental in stemming some of the most determined aggressions of the Greens. Another player who was also greatly responsible in preventing the winners from triumphing by a wider margin was A. Sakari, playing goalkeeper for her first important game. She fully justified the confidence placed in her and gave a fine exhibition between the sticks to clear some almost impossible shots. Ruth Reige seemed to be misplaced in the position of right wing, as although she is fast she displayed little knowledge of the game and on one or two occasions was caught tackling a player of her own side.

Erin Villa did not actually have much of the play until the latter part of the second half when they were seen within the Greens' circle far too often for Myrtle Hopkins' comfort. The defence section of the Erin Villa appeared to have been greatly improved and it was probably on account of the placing of Mrs. Weston at left-back.

Jean Wheeler opened the scoring by flicking the ball through from a short scrimmage 15 minutes after the start of the game. The was followed five minutes later by Joan Harling who drove the ball past A. Sakari from a short corner. The rest of the first half was scoreless. The third point was again contributed by Joan Harling who rushed into the circle to pick up a pass and drive the ball between the posts with a first-time shot.

The teams were:—

Greens: M. Hopkins; F. Wood, E. Hay, D. Gray, J. Harling, M. Train; B. Gray J. Wheeler, N. Chedderton, P. Kendall.

Erin Villa: A. Sakari; D. Quelch, Mrs. Weston; P. Remedios, A. Waller, G. Teleshoff; R. Reigi, N. Sakari, M. Adams, N. Quincey, C. Ragi.

Rugger Club Sides

The following sides have been selected to represent the Club "B" XV and the Rest at 3 p.m. this afternoon at the Race Course:—

Club "B" XV:—Richards; Lumsdaine, Cirfield, Edwards, Gilbert; Dodd, Tingle; Smith, Huxley, Hawkins, Harrison, McCracken, Quayle, Lang, Harling.

The Rest XV:—Poli; Sris, Ellis, Marcos, Pacelonl; Beeman, Gauntlett; Gander, Greenfield, Sette, Prihoda, Holmes, Pearson, Frewen and Goldenburg.

Any players not mentioned above should put in an appearance before at the Club House prior to 2.30 p.m. the above game being due to start at 3 p.m. on Ground 2 (Rugby).

In Uno Snatch Narrow Victory Over A.S.P. in Ladies Hockey

Score Minor Upset To Deprive League Leaders Of Top Spot In Senior Division Standings

PLAYING an invigorating and inspired brand of hockey, the In Uno scored a mild, but not altogether unexpected upset over the A.S.P. "A", when they met in the most crucial engagement of the senior division of the Ladies Hockey league, to win by the close margin of one goal; the final count being 1-0. In losing this match the Portuguese girls have relinquished their lead in the standings to the Greens who, with little opposition ahead of them, are now virtual winners of the league this year.

Displaying the same high standard of hockey which carried them through to the top of the league last year, the In Uno, though having less of the play, showed magnificent initiative and fighting spirit to turn away wave after wave of the A.S.P. attacks. A determined thrust into their opponents' circle, after a scoreless first half, saw Irene Ohrnberger, the speedy centre-forward, drive the ball between the posts to land it with a resounding smack against the boards for the solitary point scored during the entire 60 minutes of play.

In Uno Defence Prominent

The In Uno's backs were in fine fettle and defended their citadel staunchly, giving F. Pereira, their custodian excellent support. Particularly prominent was Rhoda Butt who watched Amanda da Silva, the A.S.P.'s star goal-getter, continually to give her little or no opportunity to take an unhindered shot at their goal. In the intermediate line Pilan Pitugura again made her presence felt by being, literally, wherever the ball was. She was among the backs when the opposers attacked and was well to the fore when her side pressed, distributing the ball trickily among the forwards.

Keen anticipation and good footwork by F. Pereira, the In Uno's goalkeeper, checked many a promising move of the losers, especially in the second half when the A.S.P. were making desperate attempts to tie the score. The winners had one definite advantage as far as the forwards were concerned and that was that they were much faster. They were able to make full use of their speed when the A.S.P. backs made the repeated error of playing too far up, leaving a wide gap between them and their goal. The In Uno soon found it practicable to hit the ball past the backs and race for it. It was through one of these movements, combined with some pretty team play between Joan Picozzi, Sarah Ahmed and Irene Ohrenberger, that they gained the deciding point.

Fast Game Throughout

Pace was not lacking yesterday as the game opened up at a fast clip which was maintained throughout. The winners were forced to play an extra hard game as their forward line included two reserves and in order not to allow them to be their weak spot the half-line was put on double-duty.

The Portuguese girls, on the other hand, failed to show the same form which they produced earlier in the season when they waded right through all opposition in the first round to chalk up a faultless record. The team seemed to lack dash yesterday and although they controlled a major portion of the game, they failed to make any real impression.

The game started with the A.S.P. taking the initiative but with no marked aggressiveness. The In Uno did well to have held the Portuguese girls to a scoreless first half but from the spectators' point of view it appeared that they would be the ultimate losers. A brilliant rally in the second half however with Joan Picozzi taking the ball down the right wing, saw the In Uno break the scoreless deadlock. In the 20th minute Joan Picozzi drove the ball hard across the field to Sarah Ahmed who centred to Irene Ohrnberger. The latter snapped the ball from a sharp angle to beat two backs and score brilliantly. From then on the A.S.P. enjoyed the best of exchanges and bombarded the In Uno's goal from angles but without success.

The teams were:—

In Uno:—F. Pereira; B. Cumine, K. Butt; N. Rhodes, P. Petigura, M. Mack; J. Picozzi, L. Knoch, I. Oornberger, S. Ahmed and A. N. Other.

A.S.P. "A":—H. Marcal; A. Gonsalves, E. Collaco; C. Betines, M. Victal, L. Lobo; M. Canavarro, C. das Caldas, T. Collaco, A. Silva and M. Collaco.

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Today's Soccer Schedule

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International Cup semi-finals: China *v.* Portugal, Canidrome, 10.30 a.m. Referee: A.G.B. Carnell. Line: S. E. Burt and E. M. Marchetti.

Palestine *v.* France, R. G. 2, 2.30 p.m. Referee: P. Drossel. Line: A. C. Sinclair and F. C. Hale.

2nd Division: Unison, F. C. *v.* Russian A. A., Aurora, 3 p.m. Referee: T. H. Ho.

3rd Division: Cathay Laundry *v.* Old Westonians, R. G. 1, 3 p.m. Referee: J. Weaver.

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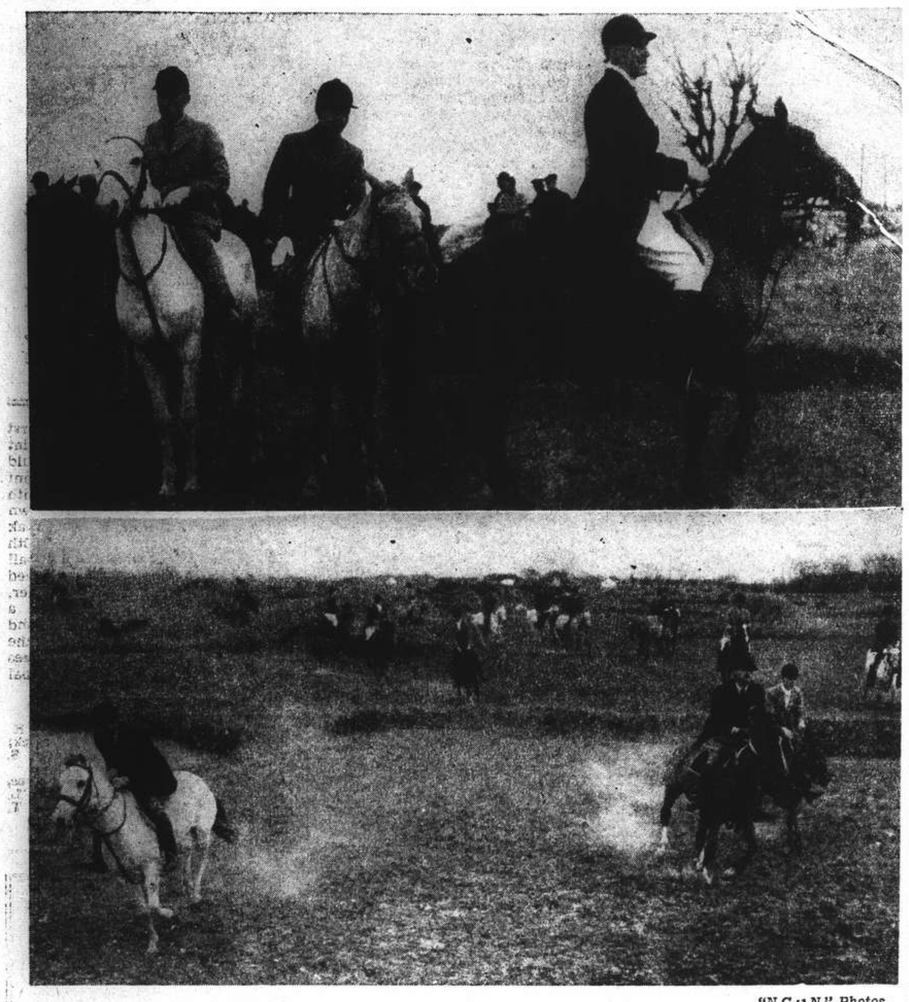

"N.C.D.N." Photos.

Waiting for the Start.....and Off They Go

In the top picture Dr. Robinson, on the left, and Paul Von Schubert, with an unidentified member of the Fair Sex in the centre, are seen awaiting the start of yesterday's Paper Hunt. The bottom photo was taken just after the field had been sent away, with three riders already across the first jump leading the pack. "Nobby" Clark is seen veering away to the left, while Jack Kay and Duncan Fraser set a divergent course on the right.

Records and Averages in City Ten Pin Leagues

Shanghai Bowling Congress Statistics Show Past Years' Standard Maintained.

THE averages of the players in the City Ten Pin Leagues, now in progress, compare favourably with those of previous years. Although no new high marks have been returned the keglers in the Senior Division are well on the trail of the records set back in 1936.

A close finish is anticipated in the Senior Division with the Columbians bringing up the rear. By virtue of their win against the Marine squad, last year's champions, the Imcas occupy top place with the Race Club team right at their heels. The latter are credited with the team triple honours, with the Marines holding the team single on a pinfall of 959. "Mano" Gonsalves, the hard-working Honorary Secretary of the Shanghai Bowling Congress, heads the individual averages with a return of 188⅞.

Leaders Well Ahead

Lying a point behind the Columbia Country Club Bears, the Marine Officers have almost swept the board of honours in the Maple Section and next week's clash between the leaders should be an interesting tussle. In this series the leaders are well away from the field and there is little likelihood of an upset in the coming week's play.

In the Pine Section the Marine Greens reign supreme being credited with all honours. Conrady of the Columbia Bulls heads the individual averages on his lone appearance last Thursday when he turned in a triple of 503.

Ladies' League

With the handicaps in the Ladies' League several upsets occurred in last week's play, as a result of which the Swiss Club is at the top of the league standings. The fair sex have not yet found their standard as the tallies returned to date fall far off previous performances.

The full statistics follow:—

Men's "A" Division

TEAM STANDINGS

	W.	L.	Pct.	Total Pinf.
Foreign Y.M.C.A.	7	2	.777	7863
Shanghai Race Club	6	3	.666	7671
U.S.M.C.	5	4	.555	7869
American Club	5	4	.555	7296
Columbia Country Club	1	11	.083	9422

LEAGUE RECORDS

Individual Single, Pote-Hunt	227
Individual Single, Quinn	227
Individual Triple, Augustyn	638
Individual Average, Gonsalves	188 7/9
Team Single, U.S.M.C.	959
Team Triple, S.R.C.	2677

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

	High Sing.	High Trip.	Ave.
Gonsalves	212	610	183 7/9
Augustyn	224	632	183 1/8
Klovekorn	214	550	183 1/3
Krencicki	212	577	182 1/9
Pote-Hunt	227	577	179 3/9
Butler	220	557	178 1/9
Roles	204	574	177
Kew, A.C.	217	605	176 8/9
Krause	194	543	176 7/9
Elliott	198	519	175 2/5
Clark	202	535	174 3/9
Marshall	181	523	174 1/3
Dolinsek	215	568	172 6/9
Inwood	199	563	171 4/6
Quinn	227	570	168 5/9

"B" Division-(Maple)

TEAM STANDINGS

	W.	L.	Pct.	Total Pinf.
C.C.C. "Bears"	11	1	.9166	9624
Marine Officers	10	2	.8333	9639
Y.M.C.A. "Luckies"	5	7	.4166	9365
Shanghai Race Club	5	7	.4166	9307
American Club	3	9	.2500	8577
U.S.M.C. "Reds"	2	10	.1666	8604

LEAGUE RECORDS

Individual Single, F. Nance	217
Individual Triple, Uhlinger	593
Individual Average, Uhlinger	181 6/12
Team Single, M. Officers	903
Team Triple, M. Officers	2536

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

	High Sing.	High Trip.	Ave.
Uhlinger	214	593	181 6/12
Freeny	208	559	172 8/12
Nance, F.	217	577	170
Bojesen, P.	193	517	169 2/6
Bourne	205	519	168
Squires, R.	215	569	167 10/12
Chanturai	191	525	167 7/9
Cooper	206	545	166 8/12
Hartnett	212	525	165 6/12
Austin	181	—	165 5/6
Xavier	199	521	163 10/12
Maitland	172	—	163 1/2
Huppmann	181	501	161 7/12
Pickup	202	512	160 5/10
Hubert	205	508	160

"B" Division-(Pine)

TEAM STANDINGS

	W.	L.	Pct.	Total Pinf.
U.S.M.C. "Greens"	11	1	.9166	9500
Y.M.V.A. "Flukes"	9	3	.7500	9275
U.S.M.C. "Blues"	5	7	.4166	8960
Swiss Club	4	8	.3333	8302
U.S.M.C. "Whites"	4	8	.3333	8410
C.C.C. "Bulls"	3	9	.2500	8447

LEAGUE RECORDS

Individual Single, McMahon	213
Individual Triple, McMahon	557
Individual Average, Conrady	167 2/3
Team Single, U.S.M.C. "Greens"	912
Team Triple, U.S.M.C. "Greens"	2501

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

	High Sing.	High Trip.	Ave.
Conrady	176	503	167 2/3
Long	155	526	164 1/11
McGinley	199	540	163 7/12
Stortz	193	467	161 6/8
Schilling	189	522	161 4/6
Gallop	215	549	160 11/12
McMahon	218	557	160 3/12
Willis	190	517	157 9/12
Harrison	189	469	156 6/9
Schmid	180	494	155 10/12
Lorenzen	191	510	153 2/12
Gorman	181	462	152 5/12
Lamb	180	492	152 2/12
Eisenhut	192	526	151 7/11
Mudry	201	503	151

Ladies' Division (Handicap)

TEAM STANDINGS

	W.	L.	Pct.	Total Pinf. Inc. H'cap
Swiss Club	5	1	.833	2750
"Y" W.S.S.	3	3	.500	3000
Columbia Country Club	3	3	.500	2753
Shanghai Race Club	1	5	.166	2674

LEAGUE RECORDS

Individual Single, Mrs. Collaco	201
Individual Triple, Mrs. Collaco	534
Individual Average, Mrs. Collaco	167 5/6 (Inc. H'cap)
Team Single, "Y" W.S.S.	591
Team Triple, "Y" W.S.S.	1674

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

	High Sing.	High Trip.	Ave.	H'cap Next Match
Mrs. Collaco	201	534	167 5/6	2
Mrs. McDonnell	179	517	158 2/6	10
Mrs. Bojesen	176	470	149	17
Mrs. Hale	155	419	141 1/5	23
Mrs. Sobel	170	425	138 1/6	26
Miss Picozzi	145	—	136	27
Mrs. Eisenhut	157	442	135 3/6	28
Mrs. Hagnauer	167	446	134 1/6	29
Mrs. Prince	139	404	129 1/5	33
Mrs. Fischer	129	387	129	33
Mrs. Elliott	171	448	128 5/6	33
Mrs. Schmid	154	—	121 1/2	30
Mrs. Pote-Hunt	121	—	121	28
Mrs. Boardman	145	378	111 4/5	46
Miss Wootten	104	—	104	30
Miss Barrie	106	—	103 1/2	39
Mrs. Aeschbash	99	—	99	22
Mrs. Laidlaw	94	—	94	28

Spartans, Ionians Tie After Scrappy Game

In a desultory tussle the United "Spartans" and the Police "Ionians" battled to a draw in a friendly Association hockey engagement held yesterday afternoon at the Race Course. The final score was two-all.

Play was way below the usual brand of hockey produced by either side and both elevens have been seen to much better advantage in the past, particularly the Police eleven who appeared to be taking things easily and playing an indifferent game. The Ionians were obviously the stronger side but refused to regard the game seriously while the Spartans though handicapped by several reserves tried hard continually. Taking the general trend of play into consideration, the eventual result of a draw was a very suitable one.

The Police drew first blood when they surged right into the Spartans' circle before the latter had realized exactly what the situation was, and scored in the first minute. The Police would probably attribute this point to the success of their "Blitzkrieg" tactics, but Jacobs, the United goalkeeper, blamed the soiled condition of his pads. Neither side were able to score again during the first half and at the rest period the score stood 1-0 in favour of the Police.

The Spartans' equalizing point came soon after the resumption of the game when Hans Bojesen followed up his drive to gather the ball off Weed's pads and score. P. Bojesen put the team in the lead when he registered from a short corner. Play after this point was very even and for some time it appeared that the Spartans might be able to emerge victorious but a sudden burst into their circle by the Police saw their hopes die, as a hard drive from Mohan Singh shot past Jacobs to resound against the boards.

Canidrome Results

1—300 yd. flat.—1, High Brow; 2, Wilful Bill.
Also ran:—Banque Eve, Pearl's Pet, Jacko, Golden Adagio.
½ length.—Time, 18.24.
Win, $20.50. Forecast 1-4 Div. $123.60.
Place, 1st $10.20; 2nd $8.50.

2—440 yd. flat.—Fairy Spirit; 2, Moody Mask.
Also ran:—Little Marquis, Grayzeb, Young Lover, Peony.
3 lengths.—Time, 26.99.
Win, $15.80. Forecast 6-3 Div. $43.30.
Place, 1st $10.10; 2nd $11.90.
Double Event 1/2 1-6 Div. $28.60.

3—440 yd. flat.—1, Campus Flirt; 2, Valencia.
Also ran:—Dingle Reverie, Be Snappy, Cordon Blen, Best Consort.
5 lengths.—Time, 26.22.
Win, $22.10. Forecast 5-1 Div. $09.60.
Place, 1st $12.00; 2nd $10.00.
Double Event 2/3 6-5 Div. $32.10.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Outside; 2, Odin.
Also ran:—Send'm Along, L'ousta No Triumph, Five Stars II.
2 lengths.—Time, 30.68.
Win, $12.40. Forecast 1-6 Div. $36.20.
Place, 1st $9.30; 2nd $7.90.
Double Event 3/4 5-1 Div. $25.80.

5—500 yd.—flat.—1, Sir Sewn; 2, Our Fortune.
Also ran:—Princess Talgai, Our Joy, Talisman, Wild Harmony.
2½ lengths.—Time, 30.38.
Win, $34.90. Forecast 4-1 Div. $19.40.
Place, 1st $16.20; 2nd $18.30.
Double Event 4/5 1-4 Div. $48.00.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Nocturne; 2, Wild Jack.
Also ran:—Great Wall, Matador, Lady Swift, Captain Charming.
13 lengths.—Time, 29.92.
Win, $16.50. Forecast 4-5 Div. $111.80.
Place, 1st $11.00; 2nd $14.20.
Double Event 5/6 4-4 Div. $56.40.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Golden Angelo; 2, El Caballero.
Also ran:—The Buck, Chihli Blue Fox, Our Delight, Best Candidate.
½ length.—Time, 30.13.
Win, $46.10. Forecast 4-6 Div. $161.00.
Place, 1st $14.90; 2nd $12.50.
Double Event 6/7 4-4 Div. $67.40.

8—500 yd. flat.—Go Softly; 2, Peerless Speed.
5 lengths.—Time, 29.53.
Win, $12.80. Forecast 5-6 Div. $49.80.
Place 1st $12.00; 2nd. $14.10.
Double Event 7/8 4-5 Div. $44.40.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Cute Viscount; 2, Sans Culotte.
3 lengths.—Time, 29.27.
Place, 1st $11.70; 2nd $15.80.
Double Event 8/9 5-5 Div. $27.00.

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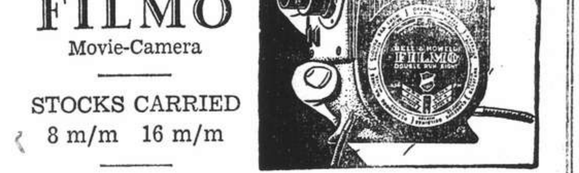

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Azadian Wins His Pink in Semi-Consolation Hunt

Snatches Victory At Last Second To Qualify Steve Brodie For Challenge Cup; Many Falls

SPLENDID weather favoured the Paperhunters for the 11th hunt, probably the last of the season, and a good 10-mile run was laid by Eric Moller at short notice, assisted by two of the Stewards. The hunt was in the nature of a Semi-Consolation Hunt, the winning ponies of the season being barred, while all riders were allowed to compete.

Starting at Ah Pao's Line, near Minghong Road, grief came thick and fast. "Red" Laidlaw was unseated within the first minute, and passing Zig Zag jump and Camel Head Dry Cut, Elise Andrews took a bad one, and was parted from her pony, Cordon Rouge, which took some catching.

Immediately following, Yvonne Pollock suffered an immersion at the Corner Water Jump, and went home for dry raiment. The rest negotiated the Deep Dip and Hardanger Fjord platform and raced away over Dead Cat flats and round to Blackfriars Bridge, Dr. Roberrtson here making the going, a procedure he followed up through a large part of the run.

Plenty of Grief

After this Jim's Joys took further toll, Du Rivau falling badly, and being completely knocked out. Two or three riders stayed with him and he was later escorted home, but the field of some 30 riders was by now thinned out considerably. Turning west, Wibbly Wobbly Creek was negotiated, and Martin's Line up to the Only Way and thence to Tiefenbacher's platform and straight on to Bens Bridge over Jordan River, where green paper called for a long halt for the stragglers to join up with the field. Kermode rolled up bearing traces of an upset, but was reseated.

Formidable Obstacle

Released by the Master, we went westwards till the Chipoo Road was struck, and the Hung Hsi's Line and Faraway Wade, after which we turned homewards. The Bunded Bastard, a formidable obstacle with a raised path on either bank to make it more difficult, was negotiated in good style, followed by the straight run eastwards to the Jordan River Wade. Past the Pillars of Hercules, we raced on to Lose Wade Bridge where a second green paper check called for a halt and re-assembly.

Fast and Furious Pace

Re-starting, the pace at once became fast and furious, with the finish obviously not far away, and Paint Brush Thee Joss House and on we whirled dangerously past the to Discovery Inlet. Paper led across the flats to Babbacombe Ford, Kenneth Brand and Boogie Moller leading here, only to buy an imaginary check on coming out of the wade, in which they were followed by a large number. The wise ones turned eastwards round the village where paper was thick and strong, leading them down the fine stretch to Grassy Bottom Platform.

Azadian Slips Through

Robertson here led the field with Azadian and Jean Finch in close attendance and so they raced on to Eureka passage, where the finish hove in sight. Robertson held his lead across the flats to Ah Pao's finish and seemed to have the win in his pocket, but by hard luck was deflected the wrong side of a grave which enabled Azadian to slip through and win his Pink coat, and at the same time to qualify that sterling hunter Steve Brodie for the Challenge Cup.

Jean Finch was second, with Robertson just behind, while the Master raced in to carry off the heavyweight prize. It was voted a fine run by all except those who bit the dust.

The Card

1. H. A. Zadian on Steve Brodie (Y)
2. Mrs. J. Finch on Contentment (Y)
3. Dr. R. H. Robertson on Aeolus (Z)
4. H. A. Shaw on Sparrow Hawk (Y)
5. J. H. Liddell on Tartar (Z)
6. N. F. Allman on Bull Run (Z)

Huge Total Scored in Wind-Up Cage Series

Headquarters 1st and "B" Company scored a narrow 45-41 victory over Headquarters 2nd and "F" Company yesterday at the Navy "Y" in one of the Winter Wind-Up League games. In the other game of the evening, the combined "A" and "D" Company cagers severely trounced Headquarters 4th and Service Company, 71-36.

The season's most amazing game was witnessed in the second tussle of the evening. Seemingly utilising the time for a scoring practice, Brown, playing at centre for the combined "A" and "D" players, waded his way through a tired Headquarters and Service Company defence to chalk up an amazing score of 29 baskets.

One Man Effort

The almost one man effort was greatly assisted by Heard at right forward position. Heard had no difficulty in smashing through a depleted enemy defence to score 14 points for his team. The tremendous score at the end of the game was through the efforts of these two players, the rest contributing but half of the score.

A close game was seen between Hdq. 1st and "B" and Headquarters 2nd and "F" Company when the latter won, 45-41. Albert, of the losing side, once again captured the scoring honours of the engagement when he netted 16 of his team's total 41 points.

The game was a neck-and-neck affair, with the winners leading, 22-17 at the end of the first half. The second half saw the ultimate losers gain the lead by one point, 24-23. But the five point lead, gained by the winners in the first half, told and the game ended 45-41 in their favour.

The complete box-scores follow:—
Headquarters 1st and "B" Company 45, Headquarters 2nd and "F" Company 41.

HDQ. 1ST AND "B" CO.

	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Austin, rf.	7	0	0	14
Scarborough, lf.	4	0	1	8
Allan, c.	4	2	2	10
Roles, c.	4	1	2	9
Robinson, rg.	0	0	1	0
Pountain, lg.	2	0	1	4
	21	3	7	45

HDQ. 2ND AND "F" CO.

Albert, rf.	8	0	4	16
Clancy, lf.	6	0	1	12
Lundy, c.	1	3	1	5
Lamp, rg.	3	0	1	6
Tarter, lg.	0	0	0	0
Christman, lg.	0	0	1	0
Huckaby, lg.	1	0	0	2
	19	3	8	41

1st half: Hdq. 1st & "B" Co. 22, Hqd. 2nd & "F" Co. 17.
2nd half: Hdq. 1st & "B" Co. 23, Hdq. 2nd & "F" Co. 24.
"A" Company and "D" Company 71, Headquarters 4th and Service Co. 36.

"A" Co. and "D" Co.

Heard, rf.	7	0	0	14
Linke, rf.	0	0	0	0
Simmons, lf.	4	0	2	8
Clark, lf.	0	2	0	2
Brown, c.	14	1	0	29
Armstrong, rg.	1	0	2	2
Cook, rg.	2	2	0	6
Kopeca, lg.	3	2	3	8
Bussell, lg.	1	0	0	2
	32	7	8	71

HDQ. 4TH AND SERVICE CO.

Leadon, rf.	2	2	4	6
Bartlett, lf.	4	0	2	8
Middleton, c.	7	2	2	16
Jimerson, rg.	1	0	0	2
Stein, lg.	2	0	1	4
	16	4	9	36

Tung Wen Trounce Club "A" By 17-5

In a game that was full of interest and excitement at the Race Course yesterday afternoon a better balanced Tung Wen "A" XV had by far the better of a Club "A" side and defeated their hosts by the large margin of seventeen points (one goal, one penalty goal and three tries) to five (one goal). The Japanese put into the field the majority of the players who are likely to represent the college in the 1941-1942 season and the team as a whole turned in a very fine performance. Many of the players were inexperienced but it speaks volumes for the coaching of the Tung Wen players when it is said that their handling and passing was almost up to the standard of the first fifteen. Throughout the encounter the Japanese showed their superiority in their play outside the scrum and while their forwards were rarely inferior to their hosts, their backs were definitely superior to their opponents.

The Club tackling was never good and too many high tackles resulted in the Japanese engineering huge holes in a very poor defence. Wheeler, Boyd and Chapman put in a lot of hard work in the pack for the losers but their good work was offset by the poor defensive measures of the outsides all of whom, apart from Knight, were inclined to go too high and buy dummies.

The Club caused a surprise in the first five minutes when Knight scored under the posts for Chadwick to kick a goal after Edwards had done well in outwitting the Japanese defence with his kicking ahead. Boyd, who is likely to be one of the best forwards in Shanghai when he makes up his mind not to get offside so often, was responsible for the try as he made the opening that Edwards and Knight carried on to fruition.

The Japanese came back with a bang however and in the ninth minute Kageyama secured a bouncing ball after Inoue had taken a penalty from the thirty yards mark and scored under the posts. The resulting kick hit the post and failed. The Japanese maintained their relentless pressure until the interval and a minute before half-time Uchiyama secured on the right wing and went over after a twenty yards' run. Chadwick being at fault with a poor tackle. The kick failed.

After the interval the Japanese had by far the better of the play, their smart handling and generally better idea of the game causing the Club defence to be continually at sixes and sevens. In the first minute Suzuki scored from under the posts following a penalty awarded against the Club for off-side while in the sixth minute Baba scored far out following a nice movement among the Tung Wen Backs.

There after the Japanese were always dangerous and they came close to scoring on several occasions but inability to finish off their movements proved disastrous. Chadwick came close for the Club twice with a drop and a penalty but on the whole the Japanese were by far more lively than their bigger opponents and they made the most of their opportunities to go through the Club defence. Uchiyama scored the final try which Suzuki converted when the former dummied his way through a bewildered defence to place the ball under the posts after a delightful run of thirty yards. Thereafter the Japanese maintained their attack but no further scoring was seen.

Tung Wen "A" XV:—Hayashi; Uchiyama, Oshita, Kageyama, Baba; Inoue, Huraya; Maki, Matsuzuki, Kando, Hino, Nakamura, Okomoto, Uchibori, Suzuki.
Club "A" XV:—Chadwick; Okimoto, Edwards, Knight, Cockburn; Thomas, Bloomfield; Wilson, Hodgman, Ennifer, Chapman, Seaby, de Franck, Wheeler and Boyd. Referee: Mr. Hickson.

Skating & Skiing March

Stalinabad, Feb. 7.

Twenty sportsmen have started on the 1,182-kilometre combined skating and skiing march Stalinabad-Kharog and back. The route lies across rugged highlands and 11 mountain passes of various heights.—Tass.

PASSING SHOW NEWS AND NOTES

"Pride and Prejudice"

Greer Garson (above) and Laurence Olivier—at the Roxy today.

Current Films

NANKING.—"A Little Bit of Heaven." —The "Underpup" and her family are back in another home-spun romance, that is packed with laughter and songs. Besides a fine cast supporting Gloria Jean that includes Robert Stack, Hugh Herbert, C. Aubrey Smith, Stuart Erwin, Nan Grey, Eugene Pallette, Billy Gilbert, Butch and Buddy, there are many such well-known stars of other days as Noah Beery, Maurice Costello, Charles Ray, Monte Blue, William Desmond, Kenneth Harlan, Pat O'Malley. Reviewed yesterday.

CATHAY.—"Tugboat Annie Sails Again." —Just to show she can take it, and beat her hated rival, pernickety old Cap'n Bullwinkle, into the bargain; the cowdiest skipper that ever wore skirts pushes her famous tugboat into its toughest assignment. Featuring Marjorie Rambeau, Alan Hale, Jane Wyman, Ronald Reagan, with Clarence Kolb, Charles Halton and Paul Hurst. Reviewed yesterday.

GRAND AND METROPOL.—"The Mark of Zorro."—Action-packed romance of 1820 California, in which a dashing masked swordsman battles with grasping officialdom, puts terror into the heart of a tyrant and leads a distressed countryside to freedom while posing as an empty headed fop. Starring Tyrone Power, with Linda Darnell, Basil Rathbone, Gale Sondergaard, Eugene Pallette, J. Edward Bromberg, Montagu Love, Janet Beecher, Robert Lowery and Chrispin Martin.

ROXY.—"Pride and Prejudice."—Greer Garson, brilliant and attractive star of "Goodbye, Mr. Chips," returns to the screen in an entertaining romantic comedy, based on Jane Austen's novel. Miss Garson is co-starred with Laurence Olivier, while an excellent supporting cast, headed by Mary Boland, Edmund Gwenn, Maureen O'Sullivan, Heather Angel and Frieda Inescort, lends further distinction.

UPTOWN.—"Dance Girl, Dance."—Starring Maureen O'Hara, Louis Hayward and Lucille Ball. With Virginia Field and Ralph Bellamy.

DOUMER.—"Typhoon."—Exotic technicolour tale of a South Sea Island Paradise inhabited by a beautiful maiden and her almost human monkey. Love for an exbeach-comber, a forest fire and a devastating tidal wave unite their forces to bring the little castaway back to civilization. With Dorothy Lamour, Robert Preston, Lynne Overman and J. Carrol Naish.

CAPITOL. — "Torrid Zone." — Red hot romance in the banana belt, plus a drama of swift action and almost unbelievable wisecracks as Pat and Jimmie carry on a never ending feud while the Oomph Girl fans the flames. Starring James Cagney, Ann Sheridan and Pat O'Brien with Andy Devine, Helen Winson, Jerome Cowan and George Topias.

GOLDEN GATE.—"Dr. Cyclops."—The weird story of a power-mad scientist who discovers how to shring mortals to the size of dolls and promptly proceeds to practise on five of his friends. In technicolour. With Albert Dekker, Janice Logan, Thomas Coley, Charles Halton and Victor Killian.

"A Little Bit of Heaven"

Gloria Jean romps home today at the Nanking Theatre.

Films Coming

"Third Finger, Left Hand."—A hilarious comedy by the producers of such brilliant successes as "Ninotchka," co-starring Myrna Loy and Melvyn Douglas. Both stars are noted for their brilliant performances in sophisticated comedies and here they combine their talents to excellent purpose. Coming soon to the **ROXY.**

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"Jennie."—Here is the surprise picture of the season! The heart-warming tale of a girl who battled in a woman's way to tame a family tyrant, hold the man she loved and transform eight empty lives. With Virginia Gilmore, William Henry, George Montgomery, Ludwig Stossel, Dorris Bowdon, Hand Brooks, Joan Valeire and Rita Quigley. Coming to the **CATHAY.**

"Boom Town."—With such a magnificent cast as Spencer Tracy, Clark Gable, Claudette Colbert and Hedy Lamarr, this great drama provides superlative entertainment. There is action aplenty, laid against the colourful background of oil wells and oil fires, while the acting of Gable and Tracy leaves nothing to be desired, not to mention such excellent feminine support. Coming soon to the **ROXY.**

"Flowing Gold."—Rex Beach's thrilling sage of life and love in the Texas oil-fields paints a gripping tale of high adventure built round a couple of itinerant oil-workers and the girl they both fall in love with. There is a great cast headed by John Garfield, Pat O'Brien, Francis Farmer, Raymond Valburn, Granville Bates and Jody Gilbert. Coming to the **GRAND.**

"Tugboat Annie Sails Again"

Marjorie Rambeau is in her element at the Cathay Theatre today.

"South to Karanga."—Based on the exciting adventures of a small group of whites aboard a train bound for a Central African mining camp that is the centre of a native outbreak, this thrill-packed drama features Charles Bickford, James Craig, Lull Deste, John Sutton and Maurice Moscovitch. Coming soon to the **METROPOL.**

"Rhythm on the River."—This latest Paramount musicale tells the story of a small town composer who goes to the big city and becomes a ghost writer for a prominent song-writer, who has lost his knack. The newcomer's rise to the top in his profession and the romance that overtakes him on the way make an absorbing picture. The picture stars Bing Crosby, Mary Martin and Basil Rathbone, with Oscar Levant, Lillion Cornell, Oscar Shaw, Charley Grapewin and Jean Cagney. Coming to the **CATHAY.**

"Captain Caution."—The dashing adventures of the strangest trio that ever stormed the Seven Seas, packed with sensational scenes afloat and ashore in the good old days of sail, with the war of 1812 as the exciting background. Starring Victor Mature, Louise Platt, Leo Carrillo and Bruce Cabot, with Vivienne Osborne, Robert Barrat, Miles Mander, Roscoe Ates and El Brendel. Coming to the **NANKING.**

"U.S.S.R. on the Screen."—A collection of the latest Soviet newsreels depicting present-day life in Russia in its different phases. Coming as a first-run offering next Sunday to the **DOUMER.**

"Northwest Passage."—Pioneer epic starring Spencer Tracy at the head of a brilliant cast which includes Robert Young—in the finest performance of his career—and the talented Ruth Hussey. Coming to the **ROXY.**

To Dine and Dance

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ROXY.—Night club. Harry Fisher's swing band.

TOWER.—Night club. Tower orchestra. Larissa Anders. Nightly excepting Sunday. Floor show.

"The Mark of Zorro"

Tyrone Power is starred at the Grand and Metropol Theatres today—support by Linda Darnell, Eugene Pallette and Basil Rathbone.

Deanna Durbin to Be Married

Studio Hesitates on Announcement

Universal hesitated a long time before they permitted Deanna Durbin's parents to announce their young star's forthcoming marriage to Vaughn Paul, writes Louella Parsons to an American syndicate. Not that they did not approve of young Mr. Paul, who is a likeable, fine young man. But would marriage hurt the little girl who is the ideal of so many fans all over the country? That was indeed a problem.

If Universal could have stood with me the day I announced the engagement of Deanna from the stage of the Stanley theatre in Pittsburgh they would have been convinced that the fans would accept Deanna Durbin as a married woman—and that marriage cannot possibly hurt her career. You never heard such applause.

The day has passed when a star must not marry to still keep her success on the screen. After all, Deanna is entitled to her happiness just the same as if she were Susie Smith and not a famous young star. And the fans, who are so vitally interested in their favourites, appreciate this fact.

I have been thinking of many of our stars who have married and in almost every case their careers have been helped rather than hindered. The old theory that if two people in the limelight should try life together one of them would surely go down the ladder and lose his or her prestige is an exploded one.

I might call attention to some of our stars who have become better established in the favour of the public since their marriage. I would like to show that getting married is no longer a bugaboo in Hollywood.

Ida Lupino was doing only fairly well when she married Louis Hayward and he had made no tremendous success, either. Marriage has worked miracles in both of their careers. Ida appeared in "They Drive by Night" and almost overnight she became one of Hollywood's top-ranking stars. Louis' work in "My Son, My Son!" was so outstanding that he has been mentioned as an academy award possibility.

Neither Carole Lombard nor Clark Gable has suffered from their marriage. Carole has never made a better picture than "They Knew What They Wanted" and Clark has "Boom Town" to his credit, so we cannot say that marriage has affected the career of either of these top-ranking stars.

Two Sound Tracks on Film Introduced

Following five years of experimentation, Warner Brothers have disclosed that their engineers have perfected an improved sound-recording technique which makes possible more realistic reproduction of voices, music and other sounds in motion pictures, writes Thomas M. Pryor to the "New York Times." The new device, developed in co-operation with RCA engineers, is known as Vitasound and is said to approach in some respects the new Fantasound used in "Fantasia" in that it gives sound greater depth and range. But unlike Fantasound (also an RCA product), which employs eight sound tracks, the Warner development only requires use of two sound tracks.

This, it is said, makes Vitasound easily adaptable to commercial use because it does not involve any appreciable replacement of present studio and theatre equipment. The improved effects are achieved through a second, or control, sound track which is stamped directly on release prints of films. It is estimated the only expense entailed is a $40 attachment on printing machines and a probable investment of $1,500 for additional amplifiers and horns in the theatre. Thus it is claimed any theatre having sound systems with adequate power capacity and two-way horns will not become obsolete with the introduction of the new control track.

RCA has asked the Research Council of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences to standardize the new equipment so that it can be put to the widest possible use.

The development of Vitasound was carried out under the supervision of Major Nathan Levinson, head of the studio's sound department, and is the outgrowth of experiments which started in 1935, when a somewhat similar system was tried out in a few theatres in New York and in England to give greater range to sound effects in "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

Farren's Floor Show

Eight numbers constitute nightly the floor show at Farren's, each unit appearing twice. Volsky's Follies, who made their initial appearance on Friday, were roundly encored again last night. Their work leaves little to be desired, for he is a past master in the art of dancing. Svetlanova, for years considered the best technician of dancing routines in Shanghai, appears in clever solo interpretation—her work is a positive delight. The youthful Dani Sisters, always sparkling and bright, lend excellence to the evening's entertainment, nicely costumed as they are, and vivacious without being daring. Lantzoff always takes the spotlight as he runs acrobatic and adagio.

By Any Other Name

An amusing item appears in a recent issue of the "Kinematograph Weekly." Under the heading "Title Change," the following story is given:

Magenta Movies announce that their newest subject, originally titled "Children of the Streets," and later altered to "The Street of Children," and next to "Children in the Street," and finally to "Street's Children," has been re-titled "Beyond the Rockies." One might suggest another alternative, "Beyond Belief."

Bombs for Berlin

A scene in a Royal Air Force ammunition store showing a pair of 500 lb. bombs being hauled out preparatory to their being loaded on to long range bombers for another night raid over Germany. The remarkable accuracy with which these bombs have been dropped over Germany has proved a disconcerting factor in the plans of the dictators.

Hollywood Veterans Help Young Players

It's the veterans of Hollywood who are mainly responsible for the development of the motion picture youngsters. The authority for this statement is no less than Ann Rutherford, one of the screen's leading starlets.

"Lewis Stone has been my biggest aid in learning the whys and wherefors of acting," she says. "Working with him in the Hardy Family pictures has taught me more about acting before the camera than I could ever have hoped to learn any other way. Yet, I don't mean to mention Mr. Stone alone. Fay Holden and Sara Haden have given me the benefit of their experience in the Hardy pictures. And in the first picture of a new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer series, it was Frank Morgan and Irene Rich from whom I was learning every day."

Mr. Morgan and Miss Rich were acting when Ann was still in the cradle—Morgan on Broadway and Miss Rich in silent pictures. They've stored all the knowledge they've gained since in the back of their heads, and now they're proving only too eager to pass it on to the youngsters.

Round English Studios

British studios are again hard at work. The fact that the London theatre is temporarily at a standstill, means that the studios can skim the cream of the acting profession and give their current productions a bumper cast.

"Kipps," which Twentieth Century are making at Shepherd's Bush studios, has Michael Redgrave and Diana Wynyard as its stars, with first rate comedians like Arthur Riscoe, Mackenzie Ward, Edward Rigby and Hermione Baddeley in support. Unlike "The Shape of Things to Come," where H. G. Wells was above the heads of cinema audiences in more senses than one, "Kipps," his classic story of a simple soul, will awake nostalgic memories in the hearts of a host of middle-aged and elderly people. Here they will see, faultlessly reconstructed, the untroubled world of 1906, with gay young bloods in blazers and straw boaters, strolling along the promenade at Folkestone: horse buses trundling along the leafy Kentish lanes; croquet parties on trim lawns; and giggling shopgirls in all the splendour of feather boas and velvet neckbands.

Michael Redgrave, handsome and romantic star of so many films, was an astonishing choice for the role of Kipps, the blundering, awkward little shop assistant, who toils through weary days as an apprentice at Shalford's Bazaar, falls in love above his station, comes into a fortune, tastes high life, loses his money, regains his sense of proportion, and in the end finds happiness where it has always been waiting for him with his childhood sweetheart Ann Pornick.

Those who remember George K. Arthur in the earlier film version of "Kipps" will wonder how Redgrave can handle such a part. But he has done so triumphantly. Diana Wynyard is the beautiful Helen Walsingham to whom for a few brief glorious weeks Kipps is engaged, and Helen Haye, who was Helen Walsingham in the stage version of "Kipps" 30 years ago, now plays Helen's mother in the film.

Tower's Larissa Anders

Charmingly costumed, Larissa Anders entertained Tower guests last night in her inimitable manner. Sole floor show attraction, she holds her audiences captivated while dancing. After her successful Hawaiian number two weeks ago, her rhumba and Argentine tango last night added materially to her popularity. Miss Anders will repeat these routines tomorrow night, the Tower being closed tonight.

The orchestra, suffering under the handicap of having Mike Goldstein ill, nevertheless are a drawing card for dancing enthusiasts, Porges at the piano setting the pace.

"For Whom The Bell Tolls"

While nothing official is being given out, it is understood that Gary Cooper's appearance in "For Whom the Bell Tolls" is definite as a result of the star taking advantage of a situation existing between his employer, Samuel Goldwyn, and Warner Brothers, Paramount, which owns the Ernest Hemingway novel, has been cautious about formal announcement of Cooper's participation in its film; nevertheless, it was accepted that Cooper would do it. This annoyed Goldwyn who, in addition to feeling that he should be consulted, had tentative plans. He demanded that Paramount issue a statement saying Cooper had not yet been signed; this they did.

Then Cooper, strong, silent man of the open spaces that he is began just as he does in his films to outwit his opposition. He declined to waive the two-month vacation clause in his contract and said that he would not report immediately for Warners' "Sergeant Alvin York." Coddling actors is abhorrent to Warners and they demanded an immediate starting date. Then Cooper said he didn't want to do a war story and, besides, he didn't like the director they were giving him. Goldwyn, aware that Cooper can be every bit as firm as Warners became alarmed, because his loan of Bette Davis for "The Little Foxes" depends on Cooper doing "Sergeant York."

Finally a tacit understanding was reached between Cooper and Goldwyn over the actor's availability for the Ernest Hemingway yarn at Paramount, and the studios are happy.

"Flying Yorkshireman"

Because of the temper of the times, Hollywood is devoting its energy to escapist themes with more than customary vigour. Even Frank Capra and Robert Riskin, the two great champions of celluloid social significance, have deserted their cause, and their next picture will be a mystery comedy against a small-town setting. This yarn was decided upon when their negotiations with Frank Lloyd for the rights to "The Flying Yorkshireman" fell through after they had offered him $44,000 for the property.

"The Flying Yorkshireman" provides a case history of what can happen in Hollywood. After it was published in a magazine, Knight sold the screen rights to Earl Carroll for $1,000. Carroll, deciding that a night club would pay better than producing a film, sold it to Berg-Allenberg for $5,000. Sidney Skolsky, who thought it would be more fun to be a producer than a columnist, bought it for $7,500, and when he changed his mind he sold the yarn to Eddie Cantor for $15,000. Cantor subsequently became interested in "Forty Little Mothers" and sold Jed Harris and Lewis Milestone an option for $3,000. They reconsidered and Cantor sacrificed it to Lloyd for $18,000; net profit, $6,000. Capra and Riskin went so far as to get Irving Berlin to write a theme song, "If You Believe," but Lloyd rejected their $44,000 offer. Lloyd has now placed it on his Universal schedule with the assurance that Charles Laughton will star.

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"Sneaks" Give Actors, Directors Chills

Sudden Previews Affect All Audiences

You haven't seen agony written on the face of a man until you see a movie-maker a couple of minutes before the curtain ascends on the first sneak preview of his latest picture, writes Harold Heffernan in the "Oregonian." Many and complex are the problems attending the manufacture of a motion picture, but executives agree that the struggle for self-control on one of these soul-searing occasions has all previous worries backed against the wall.

"First I get a pain in the pit of my stomach and then I seem to become paralysed all over," said Mervyn LeRoy, one of the most affable producers in Hollywood. "After ten minutes or so I'm all right again—I'm only numb."

No one up close to the production helm can get away from the heavy suspense attending sneak showings. A prominent director once fainted as the main title of his opus flashed on the screen. The head of a major studio, about to watch audience reaction for the first time on a $2,000,000 epic he had been nursing for more than a year, was stricken with heart trouble. His chauffeur had him under a doctor's care before the first reel was unwound.

Everything can, and frequently does happen at a "sneak." If the film is going to break or the sound fade out, count on it to do so at the most dramatic moment in the story. Other miseries, ludicrous to the moviegoer with neither money nor career at stake, but torture to the producing faction are constantly popping up.

Sturges Perspires

Preston Sturges, Paramount's puckish writer-director-producer, had one terrifying experience with his "Christmas in July." He'll never erase from his soul the marks left by the "sneak" preview of his picture in Pasadena. It should be explained that "sneaks" are conducted by the theatres without preliminary fanfare. No advance notice to the audience. All of a sudden they get a brand new picture on the screen—and that's all there is to it.

Mr. Sturges and his aides arrived at the theatre shortly after 8 p.m. On the stage was the house manager. For 45 minutes, he stalled through the award of $3,000 in prizes on bank night. A chain of theatres was tied into the award. Not a soul in the Pasadena theatre won $1. The patrons were obviously disappointed and disgusted. Cat calls and boos rent the air.

The manager walked off the stage and Sturges' comedy sudde nly came on the screen. The first scene showed Franklin Pangbor in a perfect imitation of the theatre manager.

"And now, ladies and gentlemen," said Pangborn, "we are about to announce the winners in the $25,000 coffee slogan contest."

"Boo," chorused the Pasadena theatre audience. It was 20 minutes or more before the fans settled down and began enjoying the comedy. Meanwhile, Sturges, in panic, walked out of the theatre.

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Bomb Squad Heroism

David Niven, one of the most likable and talented actors on the screen is waiting for permission from the War Office to go back to his real job of acting. Soon he will probably be at work before the cameras again. The film he hopes to make, if the War Office can spare him, is "Bomb Squad." It is scheduled for production by the Anglo-American Co. Leslie Fenton, Hollywood director, is in England to direct it, and with him is his lovely wife Ann Dvorak who will be leading lady in the film.

It will be a topical story of British heroism, but designed primarily as entertainment. Actual experiences of men in the Bomb Disposal Squad, whose unspectacular daring and courage play such a vital part in Home Defence, will be used for the story.

Although Ray Milland, Paramount player, is now a citizen of the United States, he is helping his native England, it was revealed. Milland today is contributing to the support of 300 British youngsters who are living at the Hospital for Tubercular Children at Leatherhead. His mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Milland, is in charge of the institution. Milland, working on the "Arise My Love" set at Paramount with Claudette Colbert, reported that he was worried about the fate of the hospital and his mother.

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GOVERNOR TO STAY HOME, NURSE COLD

—Headline in the Lansing "State Journal"

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Too Old at 100

THE reporter came to interview the oldest inhabitant.

"And what do you think of the modern girl?" asked the reporter.

"Gels? Why, Oi be nearly a 'undred —Oi give up thinkin' about gels nigh on two years ago."

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P.T.O.

"How do you like life in the Navy? Quite a few turns to get used to, aren't there?"

"You're right. At night you turn in, and just as you are about to turn over somebody turns up and shouts turn out!"

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Cut Down

MRS. Brown met her former maid, now a married woman, and stopped for a chat.

"And how is your hushand, Mary?" she asked.

"It's like this," was the reply. "He was on P.A.C. Then he joined the A.R.P., and now he's in the R.A.S.C. trying to get the V.C. or the D.C.M., and I've just been to the G.P.O. to draw his £ s. d."

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Dangerous

A BUNCH of the Signal Corps were discussing Hitler's secret weapon and the trend of the present war.

It was generally agreed that research chemists would play an increasingly important part in future. "Bah!" grunted an old soldier. "Chemists will never produce anything more dangerous than wot they 'ave already."

"What's that?"

"Blondes!" he snapped.

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Position Finding

A NEW recruit was asked by his officer to find the ship's position.

The recruit returned after a long absence and handed the officer a piece of paper showing their position. The officer immediately came to attention and saluted. The new recruit said: "Why did you salute me, sir?"

The officer replied: "I did not salute you, I saluted the King. According to the position you have worked out, we are now in Buckingham Palace."

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Pilot's Protest

THE commanding officer of a bomber squadron was anxiously awaiting the return of his aircraft from an important bombing flight over Germany. All came safely back.

Approaching the last man in, he said: "Everything all right?"

"No, sir," answered the sergeant-pilot concerned.

"I'm sorry," said the C.O. "What went wrong?"

"The coffee was cold, and the sandwiches were very hard, sir," answered the pilot.

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Belles-Lettres

THE Reading Club of Brookline gathered for its third meeting yesterday morning at Clydehurst, the home of Mrs. Whipple Fry on Warren street. Mrs. Maurice Blackmur was there in smart gray trim, Mrs. Wilson MacKay was in green with a matching hat, Mrs. Frank Jenkins in attractive gray and yellow, Mrs. Louis Harding in black with touches of red. Mrs. Charles Carney had on a tam o'shanter hat, bluebird trimmed, with her wool check costume, and wore an orchid. Mrs. Claude Cross was in gray with a black hat, Mrs. Walter Van Kleeck in blue wool and Mrs. T. Barnett Plimpton in a becoming *tete de negre* coat with matching hat.

—"Boston Transcript"

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Diary of a Worm

HOME Guard worm returns from vigil on golf course after night raid warning, happily conscious of duty done and slightly flushed with Scotch. Meets shivering wife and baby worm going back to bed from shelter.

Just as worm puts down rifle and battle bowler, sirens go again and worm says he must go back to golf course.

Oh, so this is how worm defends country, is it? Wife could put up with being left alone in shelter night after night with baby worm if wife knew that worm was watching for parachutists, but wife has now come to conclusion that Home Guard is nothing but excuse for worms to get away from wives in shelters and have drinks with witty worm friends.

How is it that worm is always on duty? How is it that even on Sunday, when worm has chance to protect wife or at least look after dinner when wife is in shelter, that worm is out immediately sirens go and comes back in disgusting state long after all clear? Are there no other Home Guard worms to go on duty? Or do they all go out in raids rather than comfort families in shelter?

No doubt cowardly worm feels braver buying drinks in lordly manner for cadging worm friends than keeping up spirits of wife and getting hot milk for baby worm. No doubt wife would prefer to be in Home Guard herself having good time in raids, but fortunately wife has proper sense of responsibilities.

In any case, wife would like to know what use worm is in Home Guard. Wife would have thought that Home Guard worm would need all senses alert and not befogged by evenings spent in low taverns showing off in silly uniform and no doubt playing fool with firearms. In wife's opinion worm and witty worm friends masquerading in uniform are nothing but danger to public and also exposing themselves to danger for no purpose when they might be in shelters looking after families. What is going to happen to wife if bomb drops on worm? What is going to happen to other wives if bombs drop on other worms?

If worm doesn't spend at least two nights a week in shelter wife is going straight to War Office to ask why worm is on duty in every raid and what use worm is in a raid, anyway.

Weary worm picks up rifle and battle bowler and goes out into the night.

—Exchange.

London Letter

Health in London Shelters

Grave Speech in House of Lords by Lord (Dr.) Horder; Problem of the Blackout

BY O. M. GREEN

LORD Horder, the King's doctor, was appointed chairman of a committee to advise on the whole question of health in the shelters (which obviously lend themselves to the easy propagation of disease) and his report has been received. But the Government, though urged to do so, will not publish it.

Lord Horder made a very grave speech in the Lords saying that "it would be wrong, it would be criminal to say that we are even within sight of the solution of the hygiene problem."

The evident fact is that although fifteen months ago the Government were known to have expected weekly casualties from air-raids up to 300,000 a week, no adequate preparation was made, as can be seen today from the improvising that has been necessary to meet a far smaller need. Even now it is difficult to ascertain who is really responsible—the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Home Securities or the local authorities. There seems to be a good deal of the old game of "passing the buck" among them.

An interesting letter reaches me from a man in Yugoslavia, whose position enables him to know as much as can be known of what is going on. Although to us Yugoslavia's position appears more than dangerous he does not seem to be at all anxious. More than this, he speaks of the mutinous state of Austria which, he understands, is getting more and more uppish and compels the Germans to keep large forces there. Considering that the German attitude to any subject people is to strip them of all they possess, that the Austrians have now had a longer experience of Nazi methods than any others; and that they are all devout Catholics, what my friend writes seems not unlikely.

More Active Foreign Policy

This brings me back once more to Parliament. No less staid and careful a paper than the "Glasgow Herald" has published a long article from its London correspondent on the feeling among M.P.'s that our foreign policy needs brisking up. They also want to have a Foreign Secretary in the House of Commons. Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under Secretary, has made a very good name for himself in that position. But of course in answering questions he cannot go a line beyond what is set down for him. But one cannot be blind to the general feeling that our foreign policy might be more active, even explosive. There is a huge potential "fifth column" at our service in most European countries if we can only get at it.

Smallest House Bombed

It seems hard that the smallest house in London should not escape the bombs. This extraordinary little dwelling stands in Hyde Park Gate. It consists of a front door, a passage 3 ft. wide, a flight of stairs, and one long room on the first floor just 4 ft. wide, and nothing else. How it came to be built or why no one knows. Some date it as early Victorian, some as even Jacobean. Some say it was built for the servant in the adjoining house, some that it was put up by a man who had a legacy left him on condition that he kept a house in London; some that it was built for a dwarf. Now it is owned by a London surgeon. It is said to have been the house that Barrie had in mind when he created the home of Mr. and Mrs. Darling in "The Little White Bird" and "Peter Pan." Fortunately the bomb did nothing worse than break its one window.

As the problem of getting home before pitch darkness sets in becomes more and more urgent, an interesting suggestion is made by Capt. Bernard Acworth, R.N. "Why," he says, "should we have any blackout at all?" It does not prevent aeroplanes from finding their way to any predetermined spot, nor from dropping their bombs. It immensely increases the difficulties of salvage work, and of course everything, seems worse in darkness than in light. If bombers succeed in starting a good fire, the value of it to them is enhanced by the surrounding blackness. Theoretically the blackout prevents aimed bombing at military objectives. But in fact it has never prevented the R.A.F. from finding targets in Germany. And part of Captain Acworth's argument is that skilful lighting might be used to dazzle and confuse the enemy and even as a sort of camouflage, while work of all kinds would be immeasurably helped.

It is an ingenious and very attractive idea. The war has made us, and our enemies too, realize what the ninth plague meant to the Egyptians. When for "three days" no man stirred from his place. We are being allowed to use larger torches, and the new headlight screens for motor cars let through much more light than the former pattern. But we cannot expect more. The latest order is that buses will stop running at 11 p.m. Quite late enough too. Among our unnamed heroes the drivers and conductors running their buses undismayed through black and bombs surely take a high place.

Distribution of Chinese Armies

Armed Forces in North China Still Number Round Half Million Men

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Peiping, Feb. 4.

The following notes on the distribution of the Chinese armies in North China are taken from more detailed information given out by the Japanese military authorities here.

The Chinese have divided their country into two classes: The "lost territories" and the "war zones." In north China there are two "lost territories," which correspond fairly closely with what the Japanese, for their part, call "occupied territory," and three war zones, as follows:—

The first lost territory (Chi-cha), which comprises roughly the provinces of Hopei and Chahar, and a small part of northern Honan, and is bounded by the Great Wall in the north and the Yellow River in the south;

The second lost territory (Lu-Su), which comprises Shantung and Kiangsu and is bounded roughly by the Yellow River, the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, and the Yangtze.

The first war zone, comprises north and central Honan and the southern part of Shensi;

The second war zone, comprises roughly Shansi and the northern half of Shensi.

The eighth war zone, comprises the Ordos country, and the provinces of Ninghsia and Kansuh.

In the first lost territory there are no Central Government or provincial troops, except on the extreme outskirts. It is held by Communist units, both regular and irregular. They are very widespread over the whole area, ranging from the Jehol-Hopei border in the north to the Yellow River in the south. The mountain country to the west of the Peiping-Hankow Railway along which runs the Hopei-Shansi border is occupied by the 18th Army Group (formerly the famous 8th Route Army) under Gen. Nieh Jung-hsien, whose headquarters are in the Wutai district in Shansi. There are also some regular Communist troops on the Jehol border. But the rest of the area, specially the plains of central Hopei, are held by irregular Communist units, which admit only a very loose obedience to the 18th Army Group.

Armies in Shantung

The second lost territory is held by three armies of provincial troops under Gen. Yu Hsueh-chung, whose headquarters are in the Ishui prefecture in southern Shantung. Under him are two vice-commanders, Admiral Shen Huang-lien (former Garrison Commander of Tsingtao and now acting governor of Shantung) and Gen. Han Te-chin. These three armies are scattered over Shantung and northern Kiangsu; and interspersed among them in the most haphazard way are numerous Communist regular and irregular detachments under the general control of Gen. Hsiu Hsiang-chien. In this Communist command are included several detachments of the now notorious Fourth Route Army, which were stationed in northern Kiangsu. It was some of these detachments which come into armed conflict with one of Gen. Yu Hsueh-chung's armies (89th) last autumn. The revolt gradually spread until the split between the Communists and Chungking assumed serious dimensions.

We next come to the second war zone (Shansi and Shensi) which is under the nominal control of Gen. Yen Hsi-shan, whose headquarters are somewhere in the southwest corner of Shansi. The areas occupied by the various Chinese forces are, in this case, fairly clearly defined:—

In south Shansi from about the bend of the Yellow River stretching eastwards to the Shansi-Hopei border are numerous Central Government divisions.

In the southwest part of the province, between the Tung-Pu Railway and the Yellow River are Shansi provincial troops under General Yen's direct command, while in northern Shansi and Shensi are various Communist groups under Chu Teh and the Communist general headquarters at Yenan.

Government Soldiers

The first war zone (roughly the greater part of Honan, and southern Shensi) contains no less than seven army corps consisting of some forty odd divisions of Central Government and provincial troops, spread out from the Kansuh-Shensi borders in the west to the borders of Honan and Anhwei in the east. This war zone is under the command of Gen. Wei Li-huang.

It is difficult to give even an approximate estimate of the number of the Chinese forces under arms in north China. In the first place, none of the units into which Chinese armies are divided—army corps, divisions and brigades—are either homogeneous or of a regular standard size. They may vary from anything like one to 10,000, according to the whim of their particular commanders and the demands of time and space. This applies as much to the units of the Central Government armies, as to the provincial troops. In addition there are in north China considerable Communist forces, with innumerable irregular bands, which are constantly disappearing and re-appearing again. But even taking very low figures in one's estimate of the strength of the Chinese units which are said to be found in these four areas, the total number of the armed Chinese forces still to be found in north China would appear to be not much less than half a million.

What is particularly striking in this review of the Chinese military position, is the admission on the part of the Japanese that there are still such considerable numbers of armed Chinese forces in the two lost territories or in the occupied territory, as the Japanese themselves call it. After 3½ years of steady mopping-up, with its pincer movements, steel traps and all the rest, leading to the huge catalogues of killed and of captured booty, one would never have imagined that the Japanese occupation was still faced with such formidable numbers of enemy. It would seem that, on their own showing, the Japanese have still a long way to go, before they can hope to achieve the complete pacification of north China.

Hongkong Official to be Supply Group Secretary

New Delhi, Feb. 8.

While Major-General W. C. Holden will be officer in charge of the central provision office to be established as a result of the Eastern Group Conference, it is understood that Mr. J. Whyatt, who was one of the advisers to the Hongkong delegation to the conference, will be the secretary of the Eastern Group Supply Council. Mr. Whyatt has already arrived here.—Reuter.

News and Notes from Kuling Hill

Former Scholars Serve With H. M. Forces

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Kuling, Feb. 1.

It will interest some to know that old Kuling scholars are serving with H. M. forces—Bob Berkin has joined the R.A.F. after a pretty stiff examination and is now in training. Dr. Barrie's son, who is also a doctor in England is doing medical work at one of the hospitals under Government control.

The death of one of the oldest members of the community, Mrs. E. J. Blandford, at the age of 83 has to be reported. She had spent more than 50 years in China in missionary work, most of it in this province, and was an able Chinese speaker and indefatigable worker and, being of Irish descent, her stock of wit and humour was very marked in conversation. Sympathies go out to Mr. Blandford in his loss. They had been married for over 52 years.

The economic position here remains much the same; there has been a slight reduction in the price of rice, which is now $45 per tan, and just before Chinese New Year, the price of pork was reduced a few cents which enabled many to get a taste of their favourite dish.

Chinese and foreigners are hoping that Kuling will be thrown open to visitors for the coming summer, so that more can enjoy the blessings and amenities of the mountain resort.

Emperor Receives Mediation Delegates

Tokyo, Feb. 8.

The Emperor this morning received the chief delegates to the Franco-Thailand mediation conference.

Those attending the audience were M. Charles Arsene-Henry, French Ambassador to Japan and head of the French delegation, M. Rene Robin, former Governor-General of Indo-China now in Japan on an economic mission, Prince Varavaid Hayakorn, adviser of the Thai Foreign Office, Mr. Phya Risena, Thai Minister to Japan, and Colonel Phra Silpa Eastrakom of the Thai delegation.—United Press.

LOCAL FOOD PRICES

Average prices obtained on Feb. 7, 1941. H.—Hongkew Market and shops in Hongkew District W.—Seymour Road Market and shops in Western District F.C.—Markets and shops in the French Concession.

	H.	W.	F.C.
BEEF			
Rib	2.20	2.60	2.60
Rump	2.80	3.00	2.70
Sirloin	2.80	3.00	—
Soup	1.50	1.80	1.80
Suet	1.00	2.00	0.30
MUTTON			
Chop	1.40	1.50	1.40
Gigot	1.50	1.50	1.50
PORK			
Lard	1.40	1.50	1.52
Leg	1.70	1.90	0.75
Cutlet	1.80	1.70	1.60
Should.	1.60	1.80	1.60
VEAL			
Cutlets	3.20	2.50	4.00
BUFFALO			
Rump	2.20	2.20	1.80
Soup	1.40	1.30	1.50
GOAT			
Goat	..	—	1.80 1.50
PREPPARED MEAT			
Bacon	2.40	2.50	2.20
Ham F.	2.70	2.60	3.20
Ham C.	3.50	2.40	2.50
S. Pork	1.44	1.60	1.45
FISH			
Carp	1.20	1.10	1.00
„ live	1.50	1.20	—
Cod	1.10	1.00	1.10
Eel live	1.20	1.40	1.60
Manda.	1.70	1.60	1.60
Prawns	0.25	0.25	0.25
Salmon	1.40	1.00	—
Soles N.	0.90	1.00	0.80
W'bait	0.60	0.90	1.00
Yellow	0.65	0.70	0.70
SALTED FISH			
Herring	0.50	0.54	0.60
Ribbon	0.60	0.60	0.60
Salmon	1.00	1.00	1.00
POULTRY AND EGGS			
Chick.	2.20	2.20	2.00
Duck	7.00	6.00	5.50
Eggs	2.40	2.40	1.90
FRUIT			
Apples	0.65	0.70	0.70
Bananas	0.40	0.40	0.40
Lemons	0.60	0.60	0.60
Oranges	1.20	1.00	0.55
„ Imp.	6.00	6.00	1.50
Pears	0.50	0.80	0.70

	H.	W.	F.C.
VEGETABLES			
B'boo	1.20	1.20	1.40
Beans F.	0.80	0.80	0.80
B'troot	0.15	0.30	0.30
C'bage	0.10	0.05	0.15
„ F.	0.10	0.30	0.15
„ S.	0.15	0.15	0.17
Carrots	0.10	0.30	0.15
Onion	0.40	0.40	0.50
Potatoes	0.45	0.40	0.45
„ S.	0.15	0.20	0.12
Spinach	0.10	0.25	0.10
To'toes	1.20	1.20	1.00
Turnips	0.20	0.15	0.08
GREGERY			
Coffee	2.60	2.60	2.80
Flour A.	0.59	0.56	0.60
Flour C.	0.56	0.50	0.53
M'roni	0.90	0.90	1.00
Noodles	0.48	0.45	0.44
Salt T.	0.40	0.32	0.32
Sugar T.	0.75	0.84	0.80
„ H.	0.67	0.66	0.65
Tea	3.50	3.25	3.25
OIL AND BEAN CURD			
Bean	0.22	0.20	0.15
Salad	1.65	1.80	1.03
Soya	0.95	0.92	0.93
MILK, BUTTER AND BREAD			
Milk, A	1.05	0.98	—
Milk, A.	0.90	0.94	1.00
Milk, B.	0.70	0.70	0.55
Milk	2.10	3.10	1.80
Butter	7.20	6.90	7.00
M'arine	1.75	1.70	1.80
Bread F.	0.56	0.56	0.56
SOAPS			
Toilet	0.40	0.45	0.40
Wash.	0.39	0.55	0.44
RICE			
K'mee	0.58	0.55	0.60
Foreign	0.48	0.47	0.50
COAL AND FUEL			
Anthrac.	240	268	276
Kitchen	200	228	230
Brique.	8.60	8.80	3.80
Carcoal	50	50	45
Wood	..	—	0.66 0.70
K'sene	0.90	0.90	0.90

Adm. Baron Osumi, Five High Officers Die in Plane Crash

Flight From Canton to Hainan Island Ends in Tragedy on Hwangyangshan Mountain

Tokyo, Feb. 8.

SIX high Japanese naval officers, including Admiral Baron Mineo Osumi, a member of the Supreme War Council, were killed when the plane in which they were travelling from Canton to Hainan island crashed a few minutes after taking off.

The accident occurred on February 5, but was only revealed today, in a Navy Office communique following discovery of the wreckage on Hwangyangshan mountain, on the right bank of the West river, in Kwangtung province.

The communique reads: "An aeroplane requisitioned by the Navy, with Admiral Baron Mineo Osumi, member of the Supreme War Council, Lieut. Hideo Matsuda, his aide, Rear-Admiral Hikojiro Suga, Commander Takao Tsunoda, Commander

Admiral Baron Osumi

Eiichi Shirohama, and Fleet Paymastor Chugoro Tachimi aboard, hopped off from Canton at 12.15 p.m. on February 5 for Hainan island and became missing since 12.30 the same day.

"On receipt of the news, a Japanese naval unit nearby started a search for the missing plane in co-operation with a military force. The wreckage of the same plane was found on Hwangyangshan mountain, on the right bank of the West River, in the morning of February 6 as a result of aerial observation. A landing party immediately landed and started to advance on the spot covered by a naval, air and military force. The Japanese forces reached the spot on the afternoon of February 7 and immediately started to pick up the occupants of the plane.

Admiral Osumi has been inspecting the military situation in China. Born on May 1, 1879, he served aboard the warship Matsushima during the Russo-Japanese war. After being stationed in Germany, he was appointed aide to Count Heihachiro Togo in 1912, and later attended the Versailles Peace Conference while serving as naval attache at the Japanese Embassy in Paris.

Raised to be Vice-Admiral in 1924, he was appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Yokosuka naval base in 1929, promoted to Admiral in 1931, and served twice as Navy Minister under the late Admiral Minoru Saito in 1932 and under Admiral Keisuke Okada in 1934.

Admiral Osumi proceeded to Italy in 1939 shortly before the outbreak of the European war.

Rear-Admiral Hikojiro Suga was born on March 4, 1889, and served in the World War aboard the warship Matsuo. He began a long service in China waters when appointed Captain of the gunboat Katada in 1928, being thereafter stationed at Hankow, Nanking, Amoy, Tientsin and Shanghai.

Rear-Admiral Suga was appointed Rear-Admiral in November 1939, and was seconded to the staff of General Nobuyuki Abe, Ambassador to Nanking, last year and then assigned to duty on the staff of the Japanese China Seas Fleet in January 1941.—Reuter.

Christian Progress in Honan Province

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

The next big public affair will be the worshipping at the Fire God Altar, a famous spot about 1½ miles from the city limits. There will be processions from villages and cities for miles round which will make their approach to this spot and pay worship to the Fire God and ask his prevention against the ravages of fire during 1941. The Christians take this opportunity to pitch their tents and do some preaching to those who wish to stop by the wayside and listen to a Gospel message.

On the surface conditions are relatively peaceful, though there is fearful poverty in many places. There is intense affort at reconciliation with the powers that be, and possibly some progress has been made. It is evident that the new order has little sympathy with the Gospel of salvation. The Christian Churches hold their meetings and feel grateful to God for a year of progress in preaching the Gospel in a decadent world.

Anna Neagle has been rehearsing from twelve to fourteen hours daily with an ensemble of 24 girls on ballet sequences for RKO Radio's "No, No, Nanette." The blonde star reports daily to Aida Broadbent, ballet mistress, and rarely leaves the film studio until nearly midnight.

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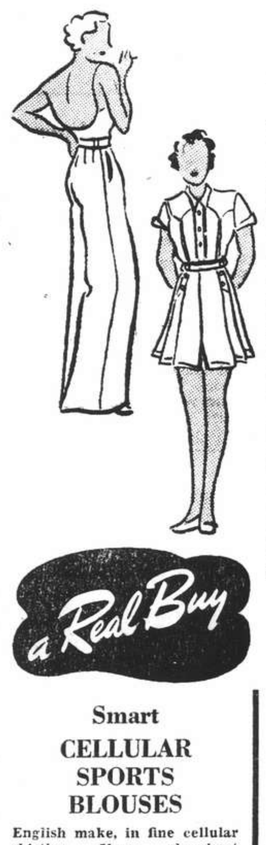

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Equal Taxation:
Personnel of New Committee

To the Editor of the "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Considerable public attention has recently been given to existing inequalities of Municipal taxation, also as to the possibility of widening the basis of taxation, and introducing additional sources of taxation.

According to your issue of this morning the Council has appointed an international committee to study these questions, and the personnel of the committee is disclosed.

It appears to consist of three lawyers, one merchant, and one accountant.

Exactly why did the Council consider that members of the legal profession were specially suited for such a committee?

I notice that the British member is reported to be well versed in English rating law. Does this imply that the American and Japanese members are not?

Would not any local lawyer be in a position to advise on the rating laws of his own country?

Assuming this to be so, what then; how is it of value in dealing with the questions to be considered that the members or some of them are well versed in rating laws, and again, what comparison can be found between the taxation problems of our Council, and those of other Municipalities elsewhere. What other Municipality has to support, hospitals, schools and a volunteer corps, to name just a few of our burdens, which in any other country would be undertaken by the Government, and not by a local authority.

Again what have the rating laws of other countries to do with these questions, surely the matter is confined entirely to the one question, viz., what are the taxing powers of the ratepayers under Land Regulation 9? in other words what is the true interpretation or construction of Land Regulation 9? The rating laws of England, America or Japan can have no possible bearing on this question which is simply and solely a matter of the correct interpretation of Land Regulation 9.

Having arrived at the answer to this question, it is then possible to determine in what way the present basis of taxation may be widened. If the correct interpretation has not been arrived at, then it would seem that the Council is putting the cart before the horse.

Surely the question of what additional sources of taxation (if any) are available is eminently one for business men to tackle, and not lawyers, who, in common with other professional men, are generally considered to be unbusinesslike. May I suggest that a committee which would best meet with the approval of the ratepayers would be an international one composed of business men, of whom I suggest the following, Messrs. Marden, Henningsen, Brondal, Tsutsumi and Li Ming.

RATEPAYER.

Shanghai, Feb. 7.

French Trams:
And Rude Conductors

To the Editor of the "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—It is really a task to travel on these trams—not only because they run without a schedule, and are more than overcrowded, but because we have to face the extreme rudeness of the drivers and conductors.

These employees must understand that they belong to a public utility company, and if they have their own grievances against their principals, there is no reason why the general public should suffer for their discontent, and stand their discourtesies. They do not co-operate at all under the present circumstances; they refuse to open doors of the cars when there is enough space for several more passengers, and just laugh ironically at the people standing on the island and waiting for a tram, many of whom have waited for a long time.

A greater number of active foreign inspectors should be employed to supervise efficiently, the traffic, and to impress upon the drivers and conductors that their duty is to co-operate with the public.

Furthermore, the general public should know that inasmuch as everyone of us is travelling "in the same boat," a mutual understanding should prevail regarding seats, space, etc., and to be alert at all times.

If the French Tramways do not have enough cars, I would suggest that they buy a few from the Shanghai Electric Corporation Co., who at the present time are not operating fully.

If the drivers and conductors will continue to scare the general public with their "almighty strike," they must understand that times change, and that the same general public who is paying for their "rice," will respond accordingly when the time comes.

The public is not asking for extra comfort, but merely for ordinary transportation for which they are paying. Unless a mutual co-operation of all parties concerned is reached, it will probably be possible to stage boxing lessons in the trams.

A. C. N.

Shanghai, Feb. 8.

A Disclaimer:
M. Premet and Jews

To the Editor of the "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I refer to the report of the case of A.J. Pisarevsky vs. J. Seba published in your issue of January 31, 1941.

I appreciate the accuracy of this report, which does not call for any correction, and I would not think of asking you to correct what has been said about this case in other local papers.

But the reference I have made in Court when I alluded to the nationality of one of the parties, has given rise to considerable comments and interpretations, most of them arriving at the conclusion that I intended to wage a war upon the Jewish people in general.

Allow me to use the hospitality of your column to disclaim absolutely and irrevocably any intention on my part to throw a slur on the Jews.

More than that, I have no animosity whatever against them.

Many are my personal friends and I have always felt that religious faith should not interfere with questions of citizenship.

PAUL PREMET.

Shanghai, Feb. 7.

Bad Manners:
Of Local Schoolboys

To the Editor of the "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—It is requested that parents and teachers of some of the boys who attend the P.T.H. School in Kinnear Road will instruct the latter to behave themselves when they travel by No. 1 bus to and from school.

Some of the boys, presumably Russian or Jewish, misbehave themselves very badly, talking in a loud voice and shouting at each other from their seats.

They certainly annoy the other passengers, who are unfortunate enough to travel in the same bus. Any reading, of course, is out of the question.

It is hoped that the school authorities will take the necessary steps to stop the nuisance in future.

BUS TRAVELLER.

Shanghai, Feb. 7.

Col. Lindbergh:
A Reader's Enquiry

To the Editor of the "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—As a matter of interest I would be very pleased if any of your readers could inform me what the Colonel in front of Lindbergh's name exactly means. Was he an officer in the last World War? And if so on whose side? I understand he has a decoration from Hitler and possibly Hitler also conferred the rank of Colonel on him. As a feat of daring in aviation give me the effort of "one way" Corrigan every time.

W. E. O'HARA

Shanghai, Feb. 8.

***Col. Libergh having been born in 1902 was not old enough to have served in the last war. He is colonel of the U.S. Air Corps Reserves.—ED.

Bus Robberies:
Warning Signal Wanted

To the Editor of the "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—As an effective measure to prevent recurrence of robbery in street cars as was the case in the No. 14 bus on Wednesday morning, I suggest that every seat in the cars should be furnished with a bell, which must be so handy that even a coward passenger will not hesitate to press it in an emergency.

The bell, on being pressed, will not ring but give a sign to draw the attention of the street police or the car driver for immediate rescue.

This would not cost the bus company much, and I believe that the mere installation of such bells would be enough warning to the future attempting heroes.

SHYLOCK

Shanghai, Feb. 7.

***Double Barrel:—Your very interesting letter will certainly be published if you will be good enough to authenticate it by sending in your name and address in accordance with the customary rule.—ED.

TO-DAY'S RADIO

Short Wave Newscasts

Shanghai Time

p.m.		m.	mc/s
4.30	BBC London	19.82	15.14
4.30	"	25.30	11.68
4.30	"	31.55	9.51
7.00	"	25.53	11.75
9.00	"	19.82	11.75
9.00	"	25.53	11.75
9.00	" Via H'Kong	31.49	9.53
9.00	" Via Australia	31.32	9.58
12.00	"	31.74	9.45
12.00	"	49.10	6.11
6.35	Manila	31.35	9.57
8.45	"	31.09	9.65
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Col. Knox Addresses U.S. Midshipmen

Forces Now in Collision Said Irreconcilable

Annapolis, Feb. 8.

Col. Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, addressing a "speedup" graduating class of 396 midshipmen at the U.S. Naval Academy, said yesterday the "forces now in collision throughout the world are irreconcilable."

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French Medicos Released by Germans

Vichy, Feb. 7.

Three thousand two hundred officers and men of the French army medical corps arrived at the Swiss frontier today from Germany, the German authorities having released them from service in the camps for prisoners of war in the Reich. These officers and men are to be sent to Savonay, in the Ain Department, where they remain until demobilized.—Havas.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF FEBRUARY 9, 1871

A correspondent of the "China Mail" writes from Whampoa:—The gunboats of H.I.C.M.'s Customs appear to have had a busy time of it, inasmuch as the down-river passengers per the Kiukiang, yesterday, report having met several of them with six prize-junks in tow, en route to the City of Rams. Of the crew of the piratical or smuggling craft nothing was seen; perhaps they had all managed to "skedaddle" in good season, in order to save their precious necks, or else they had been placed out of sight, to prevent their heads from being knocked into pieces by stray balls from other venturesome "buccaneering" boats passing at the time.

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NEW AMERICAN ATTITUDE

By Smithsonian

A new stage was reached in the American attitude towards the war by the beginning of 1941, this being the third stage since the war began. To understand the difference between these various stages it must first be remembered that the Constitution gives the Executive branch of the Government, that is to say the President, certain definite powers over foreign policy, while Congress also was alotted certain powers.

When the war broke out, Congress and the President both carried out a policy of complete neutrality. The President, using his Constitutional and independent authority, acted in exactly the same way as the President performing his function as the agent of Congress. This stage lasted for about six months. The second stage began during the German attack on France. In fact, the precise date can be given, June 10, the day on which the President declared that America hoped for a victory of the Democracies and would give all the material aid possible to those who were fighting aggression. The President could say this on his own authority, but nothing he said could change the policy of Congress. Thus, for the remainder of the year, one had the President as his own master advocating one course of action while compelled, as the servant of Congress, to carry out an entirely different course of action. The Neutrality Act remained on the statute books and the President had to enforce its provisions. But this did not interfere with his use of his own independent authority in an unneutral manner. Congress, by statute, was impartial; the President was on the side of England and her Allies.

American assistance could obviously not be particularly effective, while the two branches of the government were acting at cross-purposes. When the new session of Congress met, therefore, on January 3, the task was begun of swinging it into line with the President. In the first and the last stages of American war policy the two branches of the Government were pursuing a common purpose. Only in the intermediate period were their objectives different. That common purpose, however, during the first period was to remain neutral and during the second period it was to check the Axis and to aid the Allies.

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The necessity for the transition from the second to the third stage arose from the fact that the President had come to the end of his tether in using his own powers. Unless Congress could be swung into line, he would no longer be able to assist Britain. When the late Lord Lothian arrived back from his vacation in London, he declared when stepping off the plane that Britain was coming to an end of her dollar resources. There was no way in which the President could meet a difficulty of this kind, since the power of the purse was clearly vested in the Legislative branch of the Government.

Another aspect of the new British requirements which differentiated it from previous transactions was that there was no way of justifying it on purely commercial grounds. That is to say, that if there had been no war there would have been little reason from the standpoint of American domestic economy why money should have been invested in a foreign loan. When the British were paying for their goods cash down and at quite high prices, American business was winning profits and American unemployed were being absorbed, but if it were a case of lending money, it would be more to America's advantage to make a domestic loan or a relief grant than to make a foreign loan. For the first time since the phrase "give full aid to the Allies" was coined the action required might have been described as giving aid.

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There were other developments which took place about the same time. The Greek forces aided by the R.A.F. were rolling back the Italian invaders, while the Imperial Army of the Nile had driven the Italians out of Egypt and was pursuing them into Libya. This demonstrated that if the Allied forces had the proper equipment, they were well able to make successful use of it. Thus it was the Italian entry into the war on June 10 which inaugurated the second stage of the American attitude towards the war, while it was the failure of the Italians to carry out their schemes of conquest which contributed to the transition from stage two to stage three.

A parallel development was an increasing frankness on the part of the Axis spokesmen in classifying the United States as one of their enemies. Friends of England, such as the William Allen White Committee, had hammered home for some time the argument that if America could not support those who were defending the outer bastions in the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, she herself would be in danger. The isolationists had protested that this suggestion was fantastic since none of the Axis powers would think of attacking or thwarting the United States, but would be only too willing to enter into some arrangement with her. It had become increasingly difficult to maintain this point of view after the triple Axis treaty had been signed in Berlin on September 27. It was still more difficult after a speech made by Herr Hitler at the beginning of December in which he lumped Britain and the United States together as enemies of the Axis world. Two worlds and two philosophies of life were in conflict, Hitler maintained—"one of these two worlds must break asunder."

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Three things were thus being made clear. The first was that all the Democracies were regarded by the Axis powers as enemies. The United States was not merely an enemy, because she was aiding England; she was an enemy because of her form of government. Whatever the United States might do short of overthrowing her Constitution and establishing a totalitarian régime, she would still be an enemy of Germany. The second was that in Europe and in Asia these declared enemies of the United States were being held at bay by China, Britain, Greece and other armed forces. They were proving that from the point of view of military skill and human *moral* they were perfectly capable of holding the outer fortifications of democracy. Before her own conscience and before history, the United States would stand condemned if these outer fortresses were permitted to fall because the United States, baulked by some trivial legal quibble or some financial taboo, failed to send the materials which would have enabled them to hold out. The third was that unless some change took place in American policy, Great Britain would not only be unable get increased help, but would be unable to purchase the assistance which she had in the past.

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The first indication made officially that all was not well came in a speech by Mr. Knudsen on December 14 in which he declared flatly: "I consider the defence efforts to date not satisfactory enough to warrant hope that everything is all well." People were still behaving as though they could carry on along the old lines. It was time to take stock and "to show the world that we can do the thing we have been so wishfully forecasting the last six months." One of the rosy forecasts was that in January 1941 the United States would be producing 1,000 planes a month. The actual figure was 700. And so it was all along the line.

Secretary Hull had been receiving at the State Department reports from London that German bombing of British industry was reducing British production, while German sinking of British ships was curtailing British imports to the danger point. He was partly responsible for Mr. Knudsen's speech and had spent much of his time in exhorting the defence commission and manufacturers themselves to speed up their production, since the next few months were critical. When Mr. Roosevelt returned from the Caribbean, Mr. Hull outlined to him the dangers which lay immediately ahead. The President, with Mr. Hull's words still vivid in his memory, told his Warm Springs friends that he would be back in March if the world still existed then—that is to say, the Democratic world to which the United States as well as England belonged.

Meanwhile, Secretary Morgenthau had learned from a British financial mission headed by Sir Frederick Phillips that unless financial assistance of some kind were provided, Britain could place no more orders in the United States. He informed a Congressional financial sub-committee of this state of affairs and later lunched with the President and explained the difficulty to him. The President then and there authorized Mr. Morgenthau to tell the British Treasury officials that they could go ahead and place their orders without any fear that some way would not be found for making payment possible.

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That afternoon on December 17 the President outlined to an amazed press conference his plan for taking over British orders and then loaning or leasing them to the British Government. The details and legal aspects had not been thought out, but the President had evidently decided that since speed was essential, there would be no harm in giving broad outlines of the plan immediately. The expected fight over the repeal of the Johnson Act and revision of the Neutrality Act was avoided. There was no statute which prevented the President from leasing war supplies to Britain. The plan, in the President's words, "wiped out the silly dollar sign." There would be no post-war irritation due to debts and no difficulty over sending goods to the United States across the high American tariff barriers. If Britain were loaned a ship, the United States would want a ship back again. In place of a banker's bargain, there would be a gentleman's obligation, as the President phrased it. Not only did this new plan avoid difficulties over future debts, but it cast fresh light upon old debts. It reminded people that the old war debts had been debts for goods and that repayment in the form of goods had been rendered impossible by American unwillingness to receive goods in payment.

MYTHS AND FOLKLORE

By Arthur de C. Sowerby

In a sub-leader entitled "Proverbs and the Weather," which appeared in the "North-China Daily News" of February 3, reference was made to my discussion in the previous day's issue of the extreme mildness of the winter this year in the Shanghai area up to January 20, the day of the Great Cold, or *Ta Han*.

The very ancient Teutonic badger myth was cited with the suggestion that the winter is not yet over and may still prove to be a hard one. This superstition is to the effect that the badger is in the habit of coming out of its burrow, where it has been hibernating, on February 2, which is Candlemas Day, with the object of inspecting the state of the weather. If the weather is fine, then the badger knows that there is going to be another long spell of cold wintry weather, and it goes back into its burrow for another good sleep. If it is overcast, raining or snowing, then it knows that winter is over, and it can safely go abroad in search of food.

In North America amongst the people of European origin, but not, be it noted, amongst the aboriginal Indians, the same superstition prevails, only with the groundhog or woodchuck, a species of marmot, taking the place of the badger. There the myth runs that the ground hog comes out of its burrow on Candlemas Day, and if it sees its shadow, that is, if the sun is shining, it retires once more, knowing that winter is not yet over.

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The sub-leader pointed out that February 2 this year was a beautifully fine day with bright sunshine and, therefore, according to the badger myth, we may have a spell of severe weather before spring comes. The only objection to this suggestion is that weather and climatic conditions in China are altogether different from those prevailing in England and Europe, so that English weather forecasts expressed in proverbs or folklore rhymes, even if dependable because based on centuries of experience, are not applicable in China. As a typical example of this the well-known English rhyme to the effect that.

"When the wind is in the east,
'Tis good for neither man nor beast."

may be cited. This certainly applies in England, for there the east wind is cold and uncomfortably dry, because it comes overland from the frozen wastes of Russia. In China the east wind, coming in from the Pacific Ocean, is moist and mild. It is the west or northwest wind here that is good for neither man nor beast.

Even in North America weather rules which might apply in the eastern states could not be expected to hold good for the central or western states, so different are the weather conditions in these different areas.

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In China, as already pointed out, weather forecasts have been crystalized, so to speak, into a regular system, by which the Solar year is divided into 24 periods of fifteen or sixteen days each, to the first day in each of which a name has been given indicating a definite phase or change in the weather. These may be said to take the place of the folklore weather rhymes or proverbs of the English and Scots, such as that regarding St. Swithin's Day, July 15, which runs:

St. Swithin's day if thou dost rain
For forty days it will remain;
St. Swithin's day if thou be fair
For forty days 'twill rain no mair.

Possibly some reliance may be placed on this prognostication as far as the British Isles are concerned, but it certainly is not applicable in China, where July 15 is always about the middle of our rainy season, owing to the prevalence of typhoons, which are unknown in Europe.

Strangely enough, however, the weather locally has been definitely colder since the *Ta Han* or Great Cold, January 20, than it has been all winter, and, as pointed out in the sub-leader, February 2, or Candlemas Day, was fine, although rather cold. Even so it has not been nearly as cold this year as it was during the same period last year.

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An interesting event which I attribute to the advent of this cold spell is the appearance in my garden for the first time in the ten years that I have occupied these premises of a spectacled or blackfaced laughing thrush (*Dryonastes perspicillatus* Gmelin). This bird is listed and pictured in Wilkinson's "Shanghai Birds," but nothing is said regarding the localities in which it is to be found. My experience is that it keeps mainly to the country areas around Shanghai, and is not a common frequenter of our gardens. It would appear, then, that the specimen visiting my garden has been driven to seek food and possibly shelter there by the cold weather. I have not seen it take any of the food laid out for the birds, however. It spends its time hunting about on the ground under the bushes and amongst the bamboo stems, turning up the earth apparently in search of snails, slugs, woodlice and the grubs of insects. It is astonishing the way it tosses quite large clods of earth about with its bill.

About the size of a blackbird, the spectacled laughing thrush is of an alive greyish-brown above, creamy-buff below, with the tail feathers reddish-brown and chestnut-red under the tail and on the thighs. Its face and a patch surrounding each eye are black, reminding one of a burglar's mask. It has a fairly long slender pointed bill and unusually large strong legs and feet. Its graceful gliding movements as it hops from limb to limb in the bushes and trees is very characteristic. It is not really a thrush, but belongs to the large family of babblers (*Timelidae*), of which there are a great many different species in China, but none in England.

An interesting point in connection with this bird's visit to my garden is that the blackbirds, which immediately chased away the pale ouzel reported in my last article one week ago as soon as they caught sight of it, paid no attention to the laughing thrush.

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But to return to the subject with which I started, it is worth noting that February 4, which was the Beginning of Spring, or *Li Chun*, according to the Chinese farmers' Nature calendar, was distinctly warmer than any day since the advent of the Great Cold, or *Ta Han*, January 20, while February 5 was positively warm, with a maximum temperature in the Shanghai area, according to Siccawei Observatory, of 71.40° Fahrenheit. Thus the 15-day period from the Great Cold to the Beginning of Spring has been the coldest this winter, and has been immediately followed by a marked change to warmer weather. This is exactly what the Chinese Nature calendar prognosticates. The next date to look out for will be February 19, which will mark the *Yü Shui*, or Rain Water.

Wisdom from the Weeklies

Trouble with Collar Studd The New Pepys writes in "Truth":—at morning church I was in some trouble by my shirt collar coming unstudded while we stood upp in Psalm time. Whereby liefer than essay to restudd the plaguey thing full in the eyes of the standing congregation, I did turn upp mine overcoat collar to hide it, under pretense of a draft in my nek. And soe contind till we knelt in prayer, when I did contrive to thum studd into button-hole again under cover of prayer-book ledge bowing my head purposefully low to that end. Herein, moreover, methought myself well justified upon a consideratioun that, had my shirt collar remained unstudded, I shd have had my mind distracted from my devotiouns all the rest of service. Soe true it is that naught be more conducive to taking a man's thoughts off his devotiounall duties in publick workshipp than the suddein uneasy consciousnesse of something gone amiss with his attire, and all his prayers for the nonce are that none of his fellow worshippers shall have observed it before he have found some unobtrusive means to put it right. Which do, in a manner, bring me back the case of Cozen Evelyn Pepys, the dandy, a mighty good, regular church-goer and prided himself on the trim gold-clocked socks he alloways wore thereto. Alsoe on the sitt of his Savile Row shepherd's-paid trowsers. Whereby, instedde of kneeling to prayers, he did bend sedentarily forward hoisting his trowsers at the knees lest they dragg out of fitt in that stretchy posture. And by so doing he was enabled at once to save his trowsers and display his socks, to his very good content. But on one occasioun, when I was present, he did surprise me by suddenly plumping down (from his sedentary bend) on to hassock with both knees. The 1st time I had ever known him do it. Soe after church I did take Cozen's liberty of remarquing to him thereon. To which his answer was that, in the act of bending, one of his sock-suspenders had gone phutt; and thus rather than expoase a wrinkly sock he had cast all immeediate consideratioun for his trowsers to the winds.

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Banking in A Cinema Not only households but businesses have had to be hurriedly evacuated because of time bombs, and business men have had to carry on in very unusual surroundings, states the "Listener." For instance, R. J. Martin, who is a bank manager, removed his branch to the local cinema. We opened business at 10 o'clock sharp. There was quite a nice cash desk where we fixed up the cashier. The cinema manager generously placed his private office at my disposal. We had one or two other members of the staff there, and the rest were working at another branch, a mile or two away, while the poor junior had to pedal on his bicycle between both places, maintaining contact. One thing we had to do, of course, was to let our customers know where we were. To do this we pinned notices on the barriers which the police had erected round the danger zone. It was curious, however, how the news of our being in the cinema seemed to spread round the neighbourhood. People seemed to know about it who hadn't seen the notice. It was rather like that native wireless that is supposed to exist in the jungle. One thing rather impressed me and that was the Post Office. In some quarters today people find fault with our postal services, but I give our local Post Office full marks. They themselves had been evacuated and had to do their work in a corner of a sorting office in another district, but in spite of all that they found us out at the cinema and we had our mail almost at the usual time. On the whole, I think our customers rather enjoyed coming to the cinema. They all had their little joke, of course, the most popular was to the effect that they supposed it wouldn't be any good asking to see the manager if they called in the middle of the big film. One member of the public came to us and asked for "two ninepennies," greatly to the joy of the girl in the proper cash desk who, in any case, was rather amused at her unusual colleagues.

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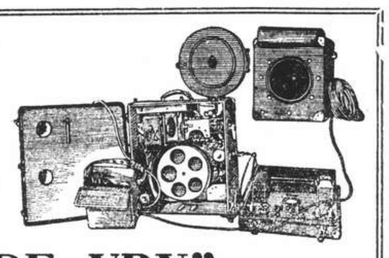

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By Albert H. Morehead

(In the New York "Times")

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North-South were vulnerable. The hand was played in a team-of-four match, the conditions of which are similar to rubber bridge. The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 Heart	Pass	1 Spade	Pass
2 Diamonds	Pass	2 No trump	Pass
3 No trump	Pass	Pass	Pass

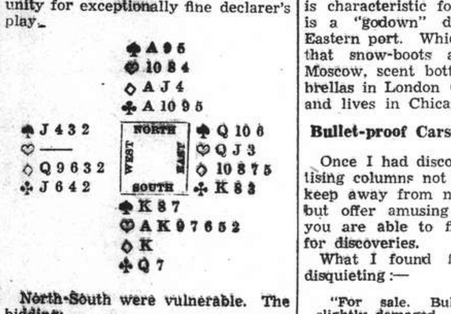
South considered his spade suit too weak for a jump rebid of three spades, which North would have raised to game, and his hand as a whole he thought too strong for a rebid of only two spades.

At the no-trump game contract, West opened the five of clubs. Dummy's jack, East's queen and South's king were played. Fearing that if he let his opponents in with the spade ace they would run four clubs and defeat the contract, South led a diamond to dummy's queen; cashed the heart king; then returned a diamond to his king to make sure the suit would break. He then risked everything on a finesse for the queen of hearts. The finesse lost, after which West took four club tricks and East the ace of spades.

The contract at no trump was defeated 200 points. At a four-spade contract South could have made game without a finesse.

Bad Trump Break

An unusually bad trump break in the following deal created an opportunity for exceptionally fine declarer's play.



North-South were vulnerable. The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 Club	Pass	2 Hearts	Pass
2 No trump	Pass	3 Hearts	Pass
5 Hearts	Pass	6 Hearts	Pass
Pass	Pass		Pass

Most players would respond only one heart on South's hand, but the jump bid worked out well. With a normal trump break, the slam would have been easy. As it was, South received a compensating advantage when West chose to open the three of diamonds.

South won the first diamond with the king and played the ace of hearts, which revealed the trump division. South then led a low heart and let East win a trick, and East returned his last heart, which South won.

South played a club to dummy's ace, cashed the diamond ace, discarding a spade, and returned to his hand with the king of spades. He then led out all his trumps. On the last trump lead West could hold only one spade because he had to keep the queen of diamonds. Dummy then discarded the diamond jack, saving the spade A, 9, and East in turn was squeezed. To hold the club king he had to unguard his queen of spades, and dummy's two spades won the last two tricks.

Test Questions

The answers to the following questions were taken from strong rubber bridge games, and illustrate in part how weak a four-card suit is often bid.

In each case partner has opened with one heart, and the opponent next in turn has passed. What is the best response, holding

(1) ♠ J 10 8 4 ♡ 6 3 ◇ A Q 8 4 2 ♣ J 3

(2) ♠ 6 ♡ 8 7 4 2 ◇ K 6 3 ♣ A 7 6 5 4

(3) ♠ 10 7 6 ♡ 9 8 4 ◇ A K Q ♣ Q 10 8 5

(4) ♠ K 7 6 3 ♡ Q J 5 4 ◇ K 9 8 4 ♣ 10

Answers

(1) One spade. The hand is considered slightly weak for a bid of two diamonds, and showing the four-card spade length is more informative than a response of one no trump would be. (2) Two clubs. The hand is too weak for a jump to three hearts, and too strong for a raise to only two hearts. The plan is first to bid the club suit, and on the next round of bidding to raise the hearts. (3) Two clubs. This bid, also, is used rather to show the general strength of the hand than any great strength in clubs. (4) One spade. This hand, like No. 2, is generally considered too weak for a double raise and too strong for a single raise, and the plan is to raise hearts on the next round.

The Royal Dutch Shell oil firm's laboratory at Amsterdam is now exclusively used by the Germans for research designed to find a substitute for petrol. The same factory, according to information received here, equips 200 motor vehicles, mostly lorries, every month to be run on compressed gas, states "The Times." During the week ended on November 25 the Netherlands Bank's gold stocks fell by 11,000,000 guilders, about £1,200,000 at pre-war rates. Newspapers merely publish guesses at the destination of the gold, but it is a fact that in the same week the circulation of bank notes increased by 15,000,000 guilders, about £1,660,000.

Little Mirrors of Life

In this Queer Town, Its History and Yours and Mine with It Is Recorded in Unexpected Places

By Peter Fabrizius

WHEN I arrived in Shanghai a few months ago, I came across the following advertisement in the "North-China Daily News":—

WONDERFUL bird. Speaks 50 different words and notes: Shanghai, Mandarin, Foochow, English, imitates dog's barking, cat's mewing, cock's crowing, magpie's chattering, man laughing and whistling. Now offered for sale, $1,000. Can be tested, if interested, please telephone during office hours and after office hours. -9079

This is a gifted beast, I thought, and Shanghai, indeed, is an international city. It was by mere chance that I read this advertisement for at best you may glance through them—aren't they alike all over the world, flat to let, position as stenotypist wanted...? Apparently they are not. Not in this queer town, anyway. The above advertisement could certainly not be imagined in any other place on the globe.

There is a lovely opposite number to the polyglot bird, namely the advertisement of a Shanghai radio programme. It may not mean much to you seeing it every day, but a newcomer is puzzled by an ad. like this:—

XCDN

"The Voice of Democracy"
12.45 News in English
1.00 News in Chinese
1.30 Peter Adam's German Programme
2.00 Czechoslovak News and Commentary
4.30 Programme in Mandarin and Shanghai dialect
6.30 Hindustani Programme
7.00 Polish Programme
7.30 French News and Commentary
8.00 News in English
10.00 Scottish Reel Music
11.30 Russian Programme
Foreign language broadcasts: Czech, French, German, Hindustani, Hungarian, Italian, Dutch, Polish, Russian and Spanish.

I found out that you can judge the kind of place in which a paper appears by its "Lost" column. This column is almost exclusively occupied by advertisements of the following pattern:

"Notice is hereby given that Godown Warrant No....of December 8, 1933, issued by the....Corporation of Shanghai in the name of the late Mr. Businessman, has been lost and is hereby declared null avoid...."

Although I guess that quite a few of these "lost" godown warrants, customs passes, and delivery orders will turn up again in some Chinese pockets, the loss of such documents is characteristic for ports and, if it is a "godown" document, for an Eastern port. Which does not imply that snow-boots are only lost in Moscow, scent bottles in Paris, umbrellas in London (lately gas masks) and lives in Chicago.

Bullet-proof Cars—Lonely Ladies

Once I had discovered that advertising columns not only conveniently keep away from nauseating politics, but offer amusing reading stuff, if you are able to find it, I set out for discoveries.

What I found first was slightly disquieting:—

"For sale, Bullet proof Buick, slightly damaged...."

"Wanted, Two stout Russian bodyguards...."

"Bullet proof vests: The N. N. Brand is the symbol that made the bullet proof vest famous. Patronized by governments and police departments."

What a lovely place, I thought. Perhaps I better put my cigarette case in my vest pocket, that may keep bullets away. And why was the Buick "slightly damaged"? Had a brush before?

I turned from the thrillers to the love stories to find a more pleasant side of life—and a more mysterious one too:—

"Lady grey coat. Advice too late. Please, Monday same place, 5.30 p.m."

(I hope the lady was good-natured, did not grumble about the late advice so that there was no need for the gentleman to write to the box number of the bullet vest firm.)

"Tall, darkhaired American gentleman, playing slot-machine at cafe, Wednesday, 10.30 p.m., please communicate with interested lady...."

What a story behind these lines! The man who lost his fortune at a cafe slot machine, but won a lady's heart. (How do I know he lost? Of course, he lost. And he was tall and dark, and she was small and fair and they met through that advert which he read when he was just at the point of leaving for America where he was expected by another young lady; kisses, tears, envy, sensation, bullet-proof vests).

"Lady of quiet habits, independent, extremely lonely, desires acquaintance with an independent Allied gentleman of good education and social standing.."

That was in mid-January of this year. Had she looked through the respective columns one month before that date she would have found the following suitable insertion:

"Educated Canadian, 35, just arrived, club member, social position, not lonely, desires to meet refined lady..."

I like the "not lonely" of this shrewd Canadian. He obviously is sick of the traditional loneliness of personal advertisers and boldly claims not to be lonely at all. There is something original in this, something challenging—if I were an independent, extremely lonely lady, I should know what to do.

Sunny Islands and Sunny Parks

If you are willing to follow me in my discoveries, let us skip a few one-line advertisements giving addresses and room numbers only, or confidential invitations to exchange platonic friendships, and turn to adventure and mystery.

"American registered sailboat leaving for California via the Islands. Accommodation for five crew members willing to share food expenses, assist in operation of vessel. Only those of good moral character, sound physical condition will be accepted..."

Not enough, Sir, unfortunately not enough. You forgot to add to the requirements: good American passport, sound financial position, no family or business ties. But for those little necessities I might have been able to whisper to you the name of somebody to sail along with you to the dreamy islands, seeking adventure, weathering storms.....

And there is mystery too, in Shanghai. Maybe it isn't mystery at all, but it surely sounds like it:—

"Young Chinese man suggests to have meeting of people who are fond of sunshine instead of moonlight Only Orientals, either sex, today 1.30 p.m. Jessfield Park..."

Sun-worshippers? Secret sects? A cute business trick, a political meeting, a crank, a hidden message? An odd advertisement, in any case.

By going through the classified advertisements you are often able to tell the mental attitude of the advertiser. The man who wanted to engage the two "stout Russian body-guards" was a pessimist. And this, so it seems to me, is an optimist:—

"Advertiser wants to purchase profitable house up to U.S.$200..."

What would you say to this advertisement: "Wanted. Two young European girls experienced in fishing..." (By some coincidence I learned they were wanted for a fun fair with a pond, to demonstrate fishing).

Adam Buys a Top Hat

Occasionally I play the game of Adam. The game is this. You enter the columns with no clothing, knowledge, etc., but then you buy, do, learn everything they want you to. You imagine yourself complying with all the wishes expressed in the advertisements in one number of the paper.

There may be a shirtmaker that offers you *dernier cri* shirts, made to measure and you buy one. You buy a suit, gloves, a top hat, shoes, an umbrella, a tie, a wallet, but in the same order as they appear in the ads. You may own a castle, a yacht, ten Persian carpets, an electric iron, a ladder, a sewing machine, a perambulator and a refrigerator—and have cool toes not having found any socks yet.

It may be an embarrassing game sometimes, but it is truly exciting. When you leave the advertisements which you had entered innocent like a newly-born baby you know all the languages of the world, handwriting, photography, dancing, typing, bookkeeping, shorthand, Bridge, painting, drawing, piano, celestial navigation and stuttering—well, I mean, how not to stutter. And also "rendering of movie hits and operetta songs, coached by well-known competent European composer"....

Shadow of Our Life

This game makes you realize that advertisements comprise every phase of your life, private and official, and follow you through all your days on earth, beginning with the announcement of your birth and ending after you have died:—

"The family of the late Mr. N. Reader wish to extend their grateful thanks for sympathy and the many beautiful flowers sent during their recent sad bereavement..."

In between your mother buys baby clothing for you and advertiser's powdered full-cream milk (because you look so pale), a nurse is engaged for you and later teachers, you find a girl and a position and a house to live in, an adviser for your investments, and a fortune-teller to inform you how to retrieve your losses. I claim that a collection of the advertisements you answered or inserted in a paper during your lifetime would give away the complete story of your life, your struggles and joys, achievements and failures.

Sometimes single advertisements are tell-tales in themselves. When, a few days ago, an "antique German linen chest (1673)" was offered for sale you need not have a writer's imagination to guess the whole poignant story of a refugee. More sober, but equally telling:

"German lessons given for tiffin, dinner. Box...."

(Advertised in the same week as the linen chest.)

Sometimes refugee advertisements are quite amusing and show how strangely history has twisted their lives:—

"Mr. Wang, Chinese, who has resided as my guest in my country house near Berlin for several weeks in summer 1920, is requested kindly to communicate with....East Seward Road..."

History on the Back Pages

These last examples lead to something else. They prove that advertisements not only reflect the life of individuals, but the history of mankind, if you look at it from a broader point of view. You need not go far:—

"Americans! Enjoy once more the delicious Chinese food which you cannot have at home. Pay a visit to...."

"Evacuees, before you leave, don't forget to buy some Chinese stamps for your friends at...."

"Shanghai concern would consider taking over properties of subjects of nations at war for the duration..."

"American lady, 21, act companion or care children in return for passage to San Francisco; references...."

This is how the echo in the East of the present European crisis is mirrored in the advertisements of our days. Fighting over the Channel makes history and causes movements all over the world which are duly reflected in the advertisement columns.

Speaking of present history and Channel flights, let us throw just one glance into the past. You will remember the epoch-making first flight by Blériot. Do you know how he did it? I do now. I looked through the advertising columns of old volumes of the "North-China Daily News," and this is what I found on January 3, 1910:—

"M. Blériot's momentous achievement in flying from France to England in a heavier-than-air machine is destined to become a milestone in history. All the world knows about the Great Channel Flight, but it is from M. Blériot himself we learn how much his marvellous conquest of the air depended upon the nerve force and endurance created by 'Nervoline.'

"The great aviator confesses that the magnitude of his undertaking made him apprehensive and despondent, and only by reinforcing his nerve power with 'Nervoline' was he able to endure the great strain which resulted in such a brilliant triumph..."

Advertisements are less talkative these days; and yet they tell you stories, less assuming, and perhaps more lasting than some one-day sensations splashed over the front pages.

Taking Flash Pictures

Snapshot Guild

Ann turned up with a camera problem the other night. She had been trying to take some snapshots of the pup—a lively little rascal—and he wouldn't stay put. In fact, the warmth from the photo lamps made him even more skittish than usual, and by the time she was ready to shoot, he was usually out of sight.

"All right," I told her, "we'll fix him. We'll use a flash bulb, and get him down on film before he even knows it." So, we arranged things, and in about three minutes she had just the picture she wanted.

Maybe you've taken flash shots—maybe not. If not, winter is a good time to get acquainted with this type of picture-taking, and you'll find it mighty useful. For most indoor shots, I use the regular flood bulbs; but for some shots, flash is much better.

It's simple to use, too, even if you don't have a flash synchronizer. Just put your camera on a tripod or table edge, and set the shutter for "time." Insert the flash bulb in a house lamp fitted with the regular cardboard reflector you use for snapshots at night—but be sure the switch is off at the moment. Now open the camera shutter— snap on the switch to flash the bulb—and close the shutter. That's all, and you have your picture.

Moreover, you can use any film you prefer—the quick flash is bright enough for box camera exposures with daytime film, when the bulb is seven feet from the subject. And if you use high speed film, the bulb can be seventeen feet back.

With a flash synchronizer, flash bulbs are even more useful. You can even use them in the daytime, to brighten up the nearby details in a shady scene. And you don't have to put the camera on a tripod—you can hold it in your hand, and take snapshot exposures. Some of the most attractive daytime shots you see in the magazines are made with the aid of synchronized flash, and it's a real help.

I didn't have a synchronizer for a long time, says John van Guilder, because they used to be high-priced—but I bought one in 1939 as soon as the inexpensive models began to come out. Now Ann wants one too; she knows a good camera accessory when she sees one. And maybe there's a good hint for your own camera kit. I'd certainly hate to part with my synchronizer—it has already paid for itself in first-rate pictures.

CHESS

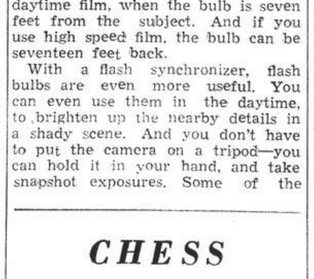
PROBLEM No. 251

By C. G. Watney

White plays and mates in two moves.

End-Game No. 1

By Korolikov



White to play and win

(One of several unusual endings discovered by I. Chernev, and quoted in his "Under-Promotion in the End-Game," in the November Chess Review. This ingenious study is featured by several Knight promotions.)

Answer to Problem No. 250

White: K on QKt3; Q on QKt5; R on KKt4; P's on QKt4, QB5, Q6, K2, 3. Black: K on Q4; R on KR4; P's on K3, KKt3, 4. Three moves Composer's Key Q — K8. Variations: 1. K — K4, 2. R — K4 + any, 3. Q mates; 1. P — K4, 2. R — Q4 + P × R, 3. P — K4; 1. R any, 2. R × P + P — K4, 3. R × P; or 2. K — K5, 3. Q × KP. Waiting key; two R sacrifices and two model mates. Second key Q — Kt7 + K — K4, 2. Q — B3, etc.

The following submitted correct solutions to Prob. No. 250:—Liaf Reven and E.A.P.

Irish Correspondence Championship

Sicilian Defence

White	Black
T. P. Donnegan	F. A. Richardson
1. P — K4	P — QB4
2. Kt — KB3	Kt — QB3
3. P — Q4	P × P
4. Kt × P	Kt — B3
5. P — KB3 (a)	P — K3
6. Kt — B3	P — KKt3
7. Kt × Kt	KtP × Kt
8. P — K5	Kt — R4
9. Kt — K4!	B — K2 (b)
10. Kt — K6†	K — B1 (c)
11. B — KR6†	K — Kt1
12. Q — Q2	B — R3 (d)
13. B × B	Q — Kt3
14. Kt — B8 (e)	B — R5†
15. P — KKt3	Q × B
16. Kt — Q6	B — K2
17. Kt — K4	R — Q1
18. P — KKt4	Kt — Kt2
19. Kt — B6†	K — B1 (f)
20. P — Kt5	P — Q4
21. Q — B4	Q — R4†
22. P — B3	Q — Kt4
23. Q — KR4	P — Q5 (g)
24. B × Kt†	K × B
25. Q — R6	
Mate	

(a) New to me. (b) Refusing to fall into the bog: Q — R4 +, 10. B — Q2, Q × KP, 11. B — B3! (c) Not hopeful: he should follow the good old Irish precept of hitting every head in sight, and play B × Kt. (d) Desperate sacrifice for air—but even oxygen can be a poison. (e) Returning the piece: why not Q — K2? (f) Evidently the White Kt bears a charmed life—a Black tabu. (g) R — KKt1 would prolong a pleasantly wild game.—"Observer."

CHURCH SERVICES

Holy Trinity Cathedral.—Feb. 9.—Septuagesima Sunday. 8 a.m. Holy Communion (also in Bubbling Well Chapel) 10.30 a.m. Mattins and Sermon. Psalm: 148. Lessons: Genesis 1, 1-2; 3, John 1, 1-18. Marchant in G. Anthem; "Sing Praise to God." (Whitlock) Hymns: 83, 302, 167. Preacher: Rt. Rev. J. Curtis, D.D. 10.30 a.m. Children's Service. Preacher: Rev. G. A. Scott. 3. p.m. Sunday School—Cathedral Girls' School. 6 p.m. Evensong and Sermon. Psalm: 146. Lessons: Genesis 2, 4-end; Mark 10, 1-16. Hymns: 290, 550, 224, 19. Preacher: The Dean. 6 p.m. Bubbling Well Chapel. Preacher: Rev. E. J. Ottewell, L.Th. (Mattins at 10.30 a.m. will be broadcast from Cathedral over stations XMHC., 700 kc. and XCDN., 1440 kc., and Daily Noon Day Intercession Prayers at 12.10 p.m. will be broadcast from XMHC.)

St. John's Pro-Cathedral, Jessfield.—Holy Communion in English at 7.30 a.m. Morning Prayer in English at ten o'clock. Preacher: Rt. Rev. W. P. Roberts, B. D. Evening Prayer in English at six o'clock. Preacher: Rev F. L. Hawks Pott, D. D.

Union Church (International and Interdenominational), 107 Soochow Road (near the British Consulate-General). —Officiating Minister; Rev. C. Wilfrid Allan.—10.45, Morning Worship. Preacher, Rev. Dr. Forbes Tocher, of the Church of Scotland Mission in China; 10.45. Children's Morning Service in the Church Hall; 3, Afternoon School at 1292 Avenue Joffre.

Church of the Air Programme.
Station XMHD. (760 kc., 395m.)
10.00: XMHD Service (Dr. D. W. Sunday Feb. 9, Edwards).
11.00: Sacred Music.
12.00: Sermon Dr. Bob Jones.
16.00: Organ Music.
16.30: Bible Study. (Rev. G. A. Jacobson).
19.45: "Miracles and Melodies."
20.00: XMHD. Sacred Concert
20.30: Gospel Service (Rev. M. C. Frehn).
21.15: Russian Evangelistic Service and Music.
Weekdays, Feb 10-15.
7.30: Sacred Music
8.30: Thought for the Day (Rev. G. A. Jacobson).
9.00: Prayer & Music for sick
12.00: Popular Music
12.45 "N.C.D.N." News Broadcast
13.10: Devotional Service and Song
16.00: Sacred Music
17.00: Classical and Popular Music
20.00: Sacred Concert
20.30: Gospel Service and Song
21.00: "N.C.D.N." News Broadcast
21.30: Russian Service (Tuesday)
Noonday speakers Mr. K. Faulkner, Dr. H. G. C. Hallock, Rev. Wm. McDowall, Rev. F. S. Barling, Rev. A. Reinhard, Miss Edith Spurling, Nightly Speakers Mr. F. J. T. Savage, Rev. Frank England, Rev. A. Whitelaw, Dr. D. Farquharson, Rev. W. H. Turner and Rev. E. A. Erny. All are cordially invited to tune in.

Saint Joseph's Church (Rue Montauban) Sunday: Masses at 5.15, 6, 7, 8.15 and 10.30 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekdays: Masses at 6 and 7.30 a.m.

Saint Peter's Church (Avenue Dubail) Sunday: Masses at 5.15, 6, 7, 8, 9.15, 11 a.m. Weekdays: Masses at 5.15, 6, 6.45 and 7.30 a.m.

Saint Theresa's Church (370 Tatung Road) Sunday: Masses at 6.15, 7, 8 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekdays: Masses at 6.15 7 a.m.

Our Lady's Church (694 Baikal Road) Sunday Masses at 6.30; 7.15 and 8.30 a.m. Benediction of Blessed Sacrament at 3 p.m. Weekdays Mass at 7 a.m.

Saint John Bosco's Church (740 Hangchow Road) Sunday Masses at 7, 8, 9 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekday Masses at 6.30 a.m.

Russian Catholic Church (235A Rue Bourgeat) Sunday Mass at 9 a.m. Weekdays at 6.45 a.m.

Church of St. Aloysius Gonzaga (734 Kiaochow Road) Sunday: Masses at 6, 7, 8 and 9.30 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekdays: Masses at 5.30 6 and 6.30 a.m.

Church of Christ the King. (235 Rue Bourgeat) Masses on Sunday at 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11. a.m. Benediction at 6.30 Catechism classes every Saturday at 9 a.m.

First Church of Christ Scientist, Shanghai, 1647 Avenue Road, Sunday Service 11 a.m. Subject: "Spirit" Sunday School 9.45 a.m. Testimonial Meeting, Wednesday, 6 p.m. Reading Room at the Church open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10.30 to 12.30; Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m.

Shanghai Free Christian Church.—5 Tifeng Road. Sunday Feb. 9th. Opening and Dedication services for the new church building. Speakers; 11 a.m. Dr. Lee S. Huizenga. 6 p.m. Mr. L. A. Keeble. 3 p.m. Sunday-school and Bible Class. Monday 5.15-6 p.m. Tea will be served. Church and School buildings may be inspected. 6 p.m. public meeting for thanksgiving. Tues. eve.: 5.45 Second Advent Testimony. Speaker: Mr. A. Whitelaw. Thurs. 5.45; Prayer Meeting.

Endeavourers Church.—Morning service will be held at 9.15 a.m. in the hall of the Shanghai Free Christian Church, 5 Tifeng Road. The speaker will be Rev. F. J. Barling. Mid-week prayer meeting will be held on Wednesday at 5.30 p.m. in room 305 Missions Building, 169 Yuen Ming Yuen Road.

Community Church.—Dr. John Lyon Caughey will preach in Community Church Sunday at 11 a.m. on the subject, "Jesus, the Prophet of Hope." Mr. R. V. Dent will be at the organ. The Church School will meet at 9.30 a.m. The Young People will meet at 5.30 p.m. in the Pastor's apartment. The Navy "Y." will have its programme for Service Men at 6 p.m.

Bethesda Gospel Hall.—(International) 729 Yu Yuen Road, Shanghai Gospel Services are held in: German: Sundays Breaking of Bread Meeting at 3.30, 4.30 p.m. Sundays Bible Class at 5-6 p.m. Wednesdays Bible Class for Ladies at 4-5.30 p.m. English: Tuesdays Prayer Meeting at 5.30-6.30 p.m. Chinese: Sunday Breaking of Bread Meeting at 10-11.30 a.m. Sundays Gospel Meeting at 2.30-4 p.m. Thursdays Prayer Meeting at 6-7.30 p.m. Fridays Bible Class at 5.30-7 p.m.

Foreign Y.M.C.A. Informal Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m. in the Junior Division room, (Mezzanine Floor). Speaker, Mr. J. A. Eggo. All welcome.

Society of Friends (Quakers)—A meeting for worship to which all are welcome will be held on Sunday, at 6 p.m. in room "D" at the Foreign Y.M.C.A., 150 Bubbling Road.

Shanghai Hebrew Mission.—56 Ford Lane Road. Sunday 10.30; Rev. L. T. Lyall. Wednesday 3.30 Mr. A. E. Phillips. Alliance Hall, 703 North Szechuen Road; Sunday 10.30 Rev. A. H. Reinhard, Wednesday 3.30 Rev. E. Andill.

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ADOLF SPEAKS AGAIN.

"Nottingham Journal" Britain

MOUNTING DIFFICULTIES.

"News of the World" London

THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY.

"Richmond Times Dispatch" U.S.A.

THE MEDITERRANEAN PATROL.

"Hamilton Spectator" U.S.A.

COMING IN STRONGER.

"Baltimore Sun" U.S.A.

CHANNEL SWIMMER TESTS THE TEMPERATURE.

"Sydney Bulletin" Australia

"COME, COME, HARRIET, REMEMBER DRAKE!"

End of Drive in Honan Seen Near

Chinese Forces Recapture Nanyang, Chungking Says; Japanese "Ring of Steel"

Chungking, Feb. 8.

While the outcome of the fighting in southern Honan still remains to be seen, well-informed Chinese quarters state that the Japanese drive in Honan appears to be nearing the end without achieving any important results.

It is now revealed that when the Japanese launched a drive from Sinyang on January 24, outwardly the Japanese had four divisions, but actually the Japanese strength in the drive totalled 2½ divisions.

During the early stages Japanese columns are stated to have pushed northward along both sides of the Peiping-Hankow Railway, apparently with Chengchow as their objective, but after reaching Siping Japanese columns turned westward in the direction of Wuyang.

The Japanese main strength, it is reported, then pushed southwestward towards Nanyang, which fell into Japanese hands on the afternoon of February 5.

After vigorous Chinese counter-attacks, it is claimed, Chinese forces recaptured Nanyang on Thursday night, after which Japanese forces are said to have retreated southward in the direction of Tangho.

It seems that the Japanese are at present continuing their retreat towards Tungpeh or, in other words, falling back on their bases in the vicinity of Sinyang, the same quarters declare.

It is stated that the Japanese forces suffered heavy casualties during the fighting.

It is claimed that the Chinese military authorities had advance information of the impending Japanese drive at least one weak before the push began, as the Chinese heard of heavy concentration of Japanese troops and mechanized units in the vicinity of Sinyang. Therefore, the Chinese command rushed strong forces into southern Honan, where they arrived in time to meet the Japanese attack.

It is further claimed that the Japanese forces in the drive clashed with two of China's strongest military units, which "dealt very severe punishment to the Japanese columns, resulting in the Japanese abandoning the objective of their campaign, turning southwestward and retreating back towards their bases."

Well-informed Chinese quarters here, however, predict the early outbreak of a big Sino-Japanese battle in the spring. It is opined that the Japanese may make a desperate drive towards Chungking from Ichang along the south bank of the Yangtze via Enshih, near the Hupeh-Szechuen border. It is estimated that the Japanese will require 15 divisions for the drive, but transportation will be the principal difficulty of the campaign.—Reuter.

"Facing Annihilation"

Nanking, Feb. 8.

Chungking's Second Army Corps in southern Honan Province was on the verge of annihilation as Japanese units gradually were closing up a ring of steel around the Chinese forces, the Press Bureau of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces to China announced.

Japanese troops operating west of the Hankow-Peiping Railway annihilated General Chang Hsueh-chung's 13th Army in the Wuyang area the communique stated.

To relieve General Tang En-po's forces which were rendered practically powerless by earlier Japanese onslaughts, armies of Generals Liu Ju-ming, Sung Fu-lin and Chen Ta-king belonging to forces under General Sun Lien-chung, appeared at Kiaoshan, the report revealed.

Japanese units, however, immediately launched a counter offensive, capturing Hanyang, stronghold of the 85th Army under General Feng Chi-han, on February 4.

The following day, the Japanese took Tangho, while other units routed the 68th Army under General Liu Ju-ming to enter Nuyang, it was disclosed.

Thus, Japanese forces moving northwestward from north of Sinyang, are closing a ring around Chungking's Second Army Corps in southern Honan, said the report.

On the other hand, Japanese forces operating along the New Yellow River are pursuing General Ho Chou-kuo's cavalry brigade and the 92nd Army under General Sing Fu-lin. The Japanese on February 3 captured Daiho, and are advancing to the west bank of the New Yellow River, the Army communique said.

In South China, Japanese operations struck severe blows against Chungking's supply routes by capturing unloading points on the Hongkong and Burma routes, making these supply lines impassable for Chungking trucks.—Domei.

Japanese Vessel Believed Lost

Nagasaki, Feb. 8.

With no wireless reply having yet been received from the 972 ton freighter Yujun Maru, owned by the Marutatsu Marine Transport Company, authorities believe the vessel lost east of Tsungming Island in the Yangtze River. The vessel was heading for Shanghai from Tsingtao with a cargo of coal, with a crew of 28 men. The latter are believed to have taken to the boats.

Russia is Key to Southward Move

"Hochi Shimbun" Says Way Must be Found to Remove Troops From North

Tokyo, Feb. 7.

The launching of the southward drive is an absolute necessity for Japan and a certain number of problems which hamper such a move must be solved immediately, the "Hochi" declares in a leading article.

Three questions are to be dealt with without further delay, the "Hochi" declares: readjustment of Japan-Soviet relations, disposal of the China incident, reforms in the domestic structure.

"That Japan must seek a way to the South is self evident and does not require further emphasis. This country is concentrating on the construction of what is called a "high tension State," but its realization depends on our acquisition of sufficient sources of natural supplies, the paper said.

Commenting on the present state of affairs in China, the "Hochi" added "of course, Prince Konoye is not the only one responsible for the lagging of the China affair. The truth is that you do not go to fight a fire in your night-gown and this is precisely what Japan did when she did not realize the real seriousness of the situation."

"Fortunately, however, the China affair has resulted in a decisive victory in Japan's favour as far as military operations are concerned. There is still much to be desired, however, on matters other than military and this is why the situation still appears somewhat confused, and Japan continues a heavy burden in the shape of the China affair.

"On the other hand it is impossible for Japan to venture southward with the threat of a Soviet attack in the North. We must find a way to dispense with the abnormal concentration of troops necessary for the defence of Northern approaches to Japan.

"Finally, our reform of internal institutions is not thorough enough. National enthusiasm must create a new structure before the country is prepared to start on her next big accomplishment."—Havas.

Work For Conscientious Objectors in U.S.

More Employment to Be Arranged After Crisis

Washington, Feb. 8.

President Roosevelt yesterday issued an executive order authorizing Dr. Clarence Dykstra, Selective Service Director, to prescribe work "of national importance" for conscientious objectors.

The President also announced that he planned to propose legislation for creating employment when the national emergency was passed.

Mr. Roosevelt, asked at his press conference why he had named new cruisers for territories, instead of U.S. cities, said the U.S. was getting so many ships it was hard to find names for them.—United Press.

Japanese Legation in Bangkok to Be Embassy

Bangkok, Feb. 8.

The Japanese Legation here will be raised to the rank of an Embassy, probably immediately after conclusion of Thai-French Indo-China peace negotiations in Tokyo, authoritative sources said here yesterday.—United Press.

Hundred Million People Wanted

Childbirth, Marriages To be Boosted in Japan In National Campaign

Tokyo, Feb. 8.

The first gun in its campaign to boost Japan's population to the 100,000,000 mark will be fired by the Ministry of Welfare early in April, when it will open a Population Bureau, according to the influential newspaper "Chugai Shogyo."

Among other things the new bureau will see that childbirths are increased, more marriages arranged by Government-sponsored organizations, marriage funds loaned at a low rate of interest, family allowances increased, women workers' health protected, more public nurseries provided, living conditions of the public improved, and national nutrition standards raised.

The Welfare Ministry is credited by the "Kokumin" with plans to set up more than 50 new health stations in various parts of the country and see that better powdered milk is secured for infants.

At present 160 health stations are maintained by the Welfare Ministry in cities with a population of over 120,000 to provide the residents with knowledge for preventing diseases and medical aid. There will be more than 50 such establishments added to the present number for the purpose of promoting the health of the people.

Another scheme entertained is to help minimize Japan's exceptionally high infant mortality rate by providing infants with better quality milk. The Welfare Scientific Research Institute, opened recently by the Ministry, will conduct experiments to see that only good quality powdered milk is sold for infants.—Reuter.

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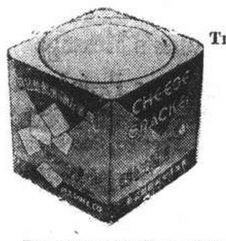

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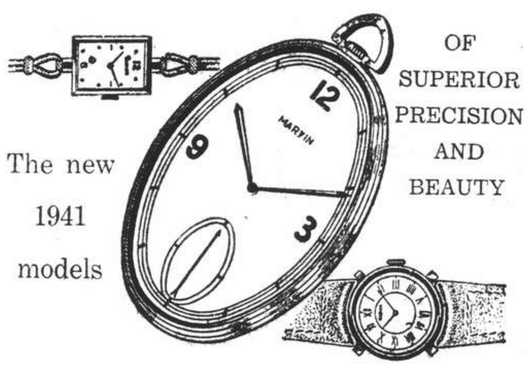

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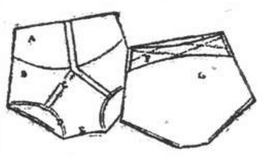

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Britain Developing New Technique of Assault

Special Bomber Force to Give Close Support To Army; Improvement on Nazi Method Sought

London, Feb. 8.

IMPORTANT tactical decisions concerning future battle co-operation between the Royal Air Force and the British Army have been reached, says Reuter's Air correspondent. The object is to improve on the traditional role of the Luftwaffe operating with the German army.

The decisions are a sequel to the creation of a new Army Co-operation Command of the R.A.F. which was recently announced.

An intensive training programme is now in progress in preparation either for an attempted invasion by the Germans or for operations by the new British expeditionary force.

Aerial support for the British Army takes two forms—close and direct. Since the battle of France, the new technique of close support has been developed. This form of support is most advantageous in a predetermined large-scale attack.

Low Level Bombing

Low level bombing for which medium bombers are particularly suitable, is being encouraged and exercises between squadrons and land troops are proceeding in various parts of Britain.

Direct support has been outstandingly successful in the Middle East, it isolates the battlefield by bombing the enemy's reserves, communications and, where possible, enemy aircraft on the ground. Such tactics would probably be used against an enemy attempting to invade Britain.

Direct support bombers would plaster the enemy's ships, and barges cutting off the landing force from reinforcements.

New Technique

Neither of these methods in themselves is new; they were tried on the Western front and Palestine during the last war and Britain is developing what it is hoped will be a new technique.

Hongkong Prohibits Cement Exports

Hongkong, Feb. 8.

The Hongkong Government in a special announcement issued this morning prohibited the export of cement without a special government licence and also fixed retail prices of cement.—Domei.

An important part of Britain's bomber force is to be switched over to close support work with the army. It is not considered to be a weapon for such phases of land operations as defence or counter-attack and this presumably rules out its use in the invasion of Britain.—Reuter.

Chu Min-Yi Received By Their Majesties

Tokyo, Feb. 8.

Dr. Chu Min-yi, Nanking Ambassador to Japan, this morning presented his credentials to the Emperor in the Phoenix Hall of the Imperial Palace in the presence of the Foreign Minister, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka.

The Chinese Embassy personnel was also received in audience by His Majesty. All the officials later were received by the Empress in the Paulownia Hall of the Imperial Palace.—Domei.

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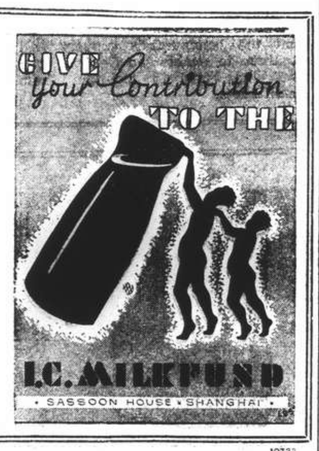

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Getting Up a Party

By J. NORMAN LYND

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FAST SERVICE BETWEEN NORTH AND SOUTH CHINA PORTS TRAVEL "JARDINES"

Importance of Systematic Bombing of Germany

Large Scale Operations of R.A.F. Devastate Factories; Vital Points In Reich Hit

An aerial offensive is by nature episodic, and it is equally difficult for those who suffer under it and for the lay public of the attacking power to make continuous and coherent sense of the daily news of bombing raids on this or that military objective, says the "Manchester Guardian." In this most highly mobile of all forms of warfare there can be no slowly developing battle-front, definable from day to day by a line on a map; successive operations may seem to be both geographically and tactically unrelated until they are surveyed over a considerable period. Only then can a development of policy be seen in the accumulation of places bombed and numbers of attacks.

So it is with the R.A.F.'s attacks on Germany and German-occupied territory. In the month before the fall of France their object was obvious and, in the military sense, immediate—to upset supplies for the German advance; since then their aim has been two-fold—the immediate reduction of the enemy's striking power and the ultimate weakening of his war effort and the means of exerting it.

It is significant of the R.A.F.'s growing strength that while the threat of invasion was at its height in September and our furious assault on the Channel ports was going on we were still able to continue our bombardment of German factories, railways, and military stores and to extend the field of operations east-wards, to Berlin and beyond. The immediate threat of invasion passed; the Channel ports are still being regularly attacked, but since the end of September the "long-term" bombing of objectives in Germany itself has been the outstanding feature of our operations.

Many Raids on Germany

In September there were 198 attacks on 82 places in Germany, and in October 255 attacks on 86 places, but these figures, counting each place named in official statements as only one objective, do not fully represent the growth of the offensive, for latterly four or five types of objective have been attacked in a single raid on such places as Berlin, Hamburg, and Cologne.

In the development of the policy of "ultimate weakening" three types of objective for bombing attack (besides armament and aircraft factories) have become especially prominent, and two of them are concerned with weaknesses already known to exist in Germany's war economy. These last two are again interconnected. They are (1) oil stocks, refineries, and synthetic oil plant, and (2) inland communications—railways, canals, and road transport, in the sense of its dependence on oil. In the case of the third type of objective, the German naval bases and shipbuilding yards, our action is more immediately defensive as well as offensive.

Hardly a night has passed recently without an attack on oil targets of some kind in Germany. The three great hydrogenation plants at Leuna, Gelsenkirchen, and Politz, near Stettin, and the Rhenania Ossag refineries and storage tanks at Hamburg have been most persistently bombarded. Gelsenkirchen and Hamburg each had fourteen raids on oil targets in October and November, Leuna seven, and Politz four. Politz is nearly seven hundred miles from London and one of the remotest of the R.A.F.'s targets in Germany, and Leuna, in Saxony, is nearly as far away, but this has not prevented major attacks on each of these plants, which were of first importance in Germany's home production of oil.

Wealthy Business Man Kidnapped by Gang

Car Recovered Half an Hour After Abduction

Badlands' criminal elements struck again yesterday morning, kidnapping a wealthy Chinese business man in his own car just as he was proceeding to his office. The victim's chauffeur was forced out of the vehicle and one of the miscreants took the wheel. The crime occurred at 8.50 a.m. and was perpetrated by four men, three of them armed with Mausers, in Lane 532 Yu Yuen Road.

The victim is Mr. Iung Yoong-song, a 55-year old native of Ningpo and vice-chairman of the Stock and Bonds Exchange, the offices of which are in Kiukiang Road.

Yesterday morning, Mr. Iung who lives at 532-50 Yu Yuen Road, as usual came out at 8.45 a.m. and got into the car. Before the chauffeur had time to start the engine, however, four men approached the vehicle and ordered him out. The sight of three Mausers left the driver no alternative but to obey their command.

The kidnappers then drove away, while the chauffeur hastened to the Bubbling Well police station to report the matter. Investigations were started immediately and the victim's car, bearing licence No. 2326, was located at 9.20 a.m. on Ferry Road, only a few yards from Mapai Road. Nothing, however, has been heard of the victim yet.

The crime was believed to have been committed on purely pecuniary grounds, as the victim is known to be a wealthy man.

U.S. Freezing of Credits Said Difficult Matter

Hard Work Being Done on Delicate Problem

Washington, Feb. 8.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, told newspapermen yesterday the question of freezing foreign credits involved not only mechanisms of international finance, but also would affect the political situation between the U.S. and other nations.

Mr. Hull said experts of all interested Government departments were at present evolving a solution to the problem and patiently and industriously reconciling the essential differences among them.

The question involves innumerable matters relating to important, and in some respects delicate, relations with other countries, the Secretary of State declared.—United Press.

500 Italian Troops Guard U.S. Embassy

Rome Students Demonstrate Against Democracies

Rome, Feb. 8.

About 500 Italian troops, with full war regalia, were stationed at points around the U.S. Embassy yesterday when students paraded through the streets demonstrating against democracies and plutocracies.

The guard was recalled in the late afternoon when there were no further demonstrations. Groups of students gathered in front of the American Express office during the afternoon, but did not demonstrate. —United Press.

Central British War Fund

Local Gifts Appreciated By Service-Men on Land And at Sea

The Central British War Fund divides its contributions among many relief organizations at home and among these is the Tobacco Fund of the Overseas League and the Sea War Library Service which provides reading matter for the crews of vessels of all classes, a very necessary recreation in view of the long periods spent at sea under war conditions. The following extracts of letters from fighting men are of interest and indicate the pleasure with which such gifts are received:—

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It is with my sincere appreciation that I acknowledge your gift of cigarettes. I thank you for the very enjoyable smoke, and wish you every success.—AIRCRAFTSMAN 1ST-CLASS.

Please may we convey our sincere thanks for your kind gift, and on behalf of all the boys in this hospital wish you all the very best wishes for the future.—SOMEWHERE IN WALES.

From the Sea War Library Service:—

Dr. Mansbridge asks me to express to you the thanks of Sea War Library Service for your letter, and we note the unanimity with which this request was met. We are most grateful.

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We note that we shall be hearing from the Navy League, Royal Navy Comforts Supply, and when we do so, we shall have pleasure in sending you our formal receipt. With best wishes for your work, and our sincere thanks.

Among the many contributors to the Library Service are members of the Royal Family, the American Library Association, the Governor-General of South Africa, the Maharajah of Mysore and the Mir of Khaipur State.

Shanghai contributors therefore, are in good company and it is hoped that the community's support will continue to enable the Central British War Fund to maintain these remittances.

Mr. Eden's Message To Belgian People

Liberation Promised by Foreign Secretary

On the occasion of the New Year, Mr. Anthony Eden radiographed a message of sympathy and encouragement to the population of occupied Belgium.

After having paid homage to the heroic resistance of the Belgian troops, and the courage displayed by the population in occupied territory, Mr. Eden went on to say: "Here, your Government is cooperating with us while your national troops are being reorganized and rearmed. At the time I was Secretary of War, I have been able to ascertain for myself their valour, their discipline and their will to free their country.

"Your aviators are fighting with the R.A.F. and have already achieved brilliant victories. Your seamen collaborate with us in the vital and perilous task of maintaining our maritime traffic. The peoples of the British Empire, together with your fellow nationals that are still free and with the powerful aid of our American friends, will ensure your liberation. Keep alive your spirit of liberty and national feeling, and maintain that admirable resistance to all menaces and attemps of enemy subjugation."

Germans Seek News Of Lost Air Ace

London, Feb. 8.

A wireless message from Field-Marshal Hermann Goering, Nazi Air Minister and Commander-in-Chief of the German Air Force, to the Royal Air Force was transmitted after the death in action of Capt. Wieck, German air ace, in November last year, said the German radio yesterday.

Capt. Wieck was shot down on November 28 and Field-Marshal Goering later radioed a message asking news of his fate. Two days later the R.A.F. replied that Capt. Wieck was neither in a British prison camp nor could his name be found in the list of identified German casualties, the announcer added.

He also said that German naval units searched the sea for traces of Capt. Wieck but failed to find any.—Reuter.

Daughter Born to Cuba's "Strong Man" Dictator

Havana, Feb. 8.

Col. Fulgencio Batista, Cuba's "strong man" President, yesterday became a proud father. Senora Batista gave birth to a girl at 3.30 a.m. at the Palace.—United Press.

Slight Disruption of Bus Service

Vehicles Resume After Brief Stoppage

There was a slight disruption of a bus service yesterday afternoon, following a misunderstanding between a driver and a policeman on Bubbling Well Road. Rumours of strike were denied by bus officials, who stated that nothing of the kind had taken place.

According to meagre details available, the misunderstanding occurred at about 4 p.m. when a bus going along Bubbling Well Road, near St. George's, was stopped at an S.M.P. barricade.

It appears that hot words between the driver and the policeman were exchanged in the course of which the former abused the constable. When the latter took the driver to the police station, other drivers protested and the service was disrupted for some time.

The misunderstanding was ironed out shortly after it had begun and the drivers went back to work.

Public Library Report For January

During January, the Public Library issued 17,009 books (60 per cent. of fiction and 40 per cent. of non-fiction) to subscribers; in addition, 521 Chinese books and 545 magazines were also lent. Books dealing with science, art, history, biography, travel and classical literature showed an increased use. There were 59 volumes of new books added to the library and 217 books discarded as worn out; 6,720 persons made use of the reading-rooms during the month. The library now has 1,387 subscribers of whom 316 are Chinese, 711 foreign, 279 Chinese students and 81 foreign students.

Incident Damage Investigator Here

Mr. Tomonosuka Kimura, of the Foreign Office in Tokyo, who will investigate damages sustained by Japanese residents in China as a result of the current incident arrived in Shanghai yesterday aboard the Toa Kaiun Kaisha liner Kobe Maru. He will make a one month inspection tour of Shanghai, Nanking, Kiukiang, Hankow, and other places.

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Christ's Second Coming.

A CALL, AND A WARNING

PROMINENCE has been given in these columns, in a series of monthly articles, to something of what the Bible says about the Coming of Christ. Events connected with His First Coming, Death and Resurrection, are of course fully attested in the greatest biography of all history, for in the four Gospel narratives of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John we have the Divinely given and Divinely preserved record of that marvellous epoch when men beheld HIM, the ONLY-BEGOTTEN SON—FULL OF GRACE AND TRUTH (John 1.14).

That He will COME AGAIN is promised by the LORD HIMSELF, by angels, and by everyone of the New Testament writers. There are multitudes alive today who have implicit faith that what He has promised He will perform. Moreover, there is an ever growing conviction that His Coming is near, perhaps very near, and that everything possible should be done to arouse men and women everywhere to a sense of their danger.

Some will say, "Does His Coming mean danger then?" For at least two reasons we must answer "Yes, emphatically so." The first is that so many have not yet heeded the call to repentance, indeed it is more than a call, it is a command, for "God, now commandeth all men everywhere to repent; because He hath appointed a day, in the which He will judge the world in righteousness by that Man whom He hath ordained; wherof He hath given assurance unto all men, in that He hath raised Him from the dead" (Acts 17.30,31). All those who deliberately refuse, or even neglect this call to repentance and salvation (Hebrews 2.3) must surely on the day appointed—not necessarily immediately upon His return—meet the ONE WHO WOULD *NOW* SO WILLINGLY BE THEIR SAVIOUR *then* as THEIR JUDGE, in the unsullied and unapproachable light of Heaven. Opened books will bear witness of every life, and who has an unblemished record that will stand the piercing gaze of the One whose eyes are as a flame of fire? (Revelation 1.14). Dear reader, God's Word is plain that our eternal destiny is determined by our attitude to God and His Christ NOW, and no promises are made as to what may be our fate if we delay in making our choice.

Secondly, whilst the Coming of Christ certainly brings untold blessing and relief to the world as a whole, and to the Jewish nation in particular, the Scriptures abundantly testify in many places, that just before His Coming is the darkest period in all of history. The mad rage and diabolical power of Satan is *allowed* by God to stampede the nations into a last great rebellion, against Himself and against His earthly people, the Jews, on whose behalf He will suddenly and miraculously intervene. It may be safely, but sadly said, multitudes will be lost eternally, deceived and dragged down by the enemy of God and of men, to the fate of the lake of fire, a place prepared for the Devil and his angels, (Matthew 25.41). During the dark days just referred to, the Devil does not show himself openly, but through two men (Revelation 13) who sell their souls in their lust for power, he does many wonderful and supernatural things, even making fire to come down from heaven. The deception is so complete, that multitudes are caught in the snare, trapped into worshipping a Devil inspired Man as God. (Rev: 13.8,15). The very people who refuse to acknowledge the God of Love, Incarnate in Christ, will almost surely be the ones who will fall into this trap most easily.

Thus dear reader, if you have followed us so far, you will perhaps understand why it is we are impelled to warn you of things to come, so clearly taught in Holy Scripture. Among the many blessings of the Gospel of the Grace of God is the promise of immunity from judgment which we could never otherwise hope to escape. The promise comes from the LORD HIMSELF in the memorable words of John 5.24, "VERILY, VERILY, I SAY UNTO YOU, HE THAT HEARETH MY WORD, AND BELIEVETH ON HIM THAT SENT ME, HATH EVERLASTING LIFE, AND SHALL NOT COME INTO CONDEMNATION: BUT IS PASSED FROM DEATH UNTO LIFE." This completely removes the first danger we spoke of, and the second may also be likewise removed if we take a further promise from the LORD HIMSELF, this time spoken from Heaven itself to the same Apostle who recorded the first. The promise, made to a faithful but weak church reads as follows "BECAUSE THOU HAST KEPT THE WORD OF MY PATIENCE, I ALSO WILL KEEP THEE FROM THE HOUR OF TEMPTATION, WHICH SHALL COME UPON ALL THE WORLD, TO TRY THEM THAT DWELL UPON THE EARTH" (Rev: 3.10).

May we add a further warning in the words Elihu of old "BECAUSE THERE IS WRATH, BEWARE LEST HE TAKE THEE AWAY WITH HIS STROKE: THEN A GREAT RANSOM CANNOT DELIVER THEE." (Job 36.18).

Some further elucidation of what the Scriptures say concerning the Man of Sin—one of the men referred to in Revelation 13 will be given at the next

ADVENT TESTIMONY MEETING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11th, 5-45 P.M. (D.V)

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FROM DAY TO DAY

A MEETING of the western circle, K.D.S. will be held at the rooms 866 Avenue Foch on Wednesday at 10 a.m. Hospital Committee 9.30 a.m.

STATION XCDN is most fortunate in securing Shanghai's leading pianist for a short recital on Wednesday, Mr. Robert Kohner who will play a programme of Chopin compositions at 8.30 p.m.

POMPING Vila will give another of his successful recitals on the Hammond Organ over XCDN tonight at 8.30 p.m. The Hammond Organ which Mr. Vila plays is the only one in Shanghai, or for that matter, in the Far East.

THE museum of the National Szechuan University has been converted into the Szechuan Provincial Museum, says a Chungking report to the "Cheng Yien Pao." The museum will shortly be inaugurated with Mr. Feng Han-kao as director.

HONORARY members and friends of the Society of the Helpers of the Holy Souls are reminded that a Mass will be celebrated at the Chapel at Sa. Joheph's Convent on Monday, at 8 a.m., to which they are cordially invited.

"THAT a modern ethical code is preferable to orthodox Christianity," will be proposed on the Foreign "Y" debating programme on Thursday, at 9 p.m. Mr. J. A. Eggo is proposing, and Rev. E. J. Ottewell is opposing. An interesting debate is expected.

THE Zero Club will hold an informal dinner in honour of Colonel Hornby, who is leaving Shanghai on February 19, at the Country Club. Colonel Hornby has offered the club a Snooker trophy, and the dinner will be followed by snooker at the Country Club.

SECOND Advent Testimony, the next meeting of this series will be held, D.V., at 5.45 p.m. on Tuesday, at the Shanghai Free Christian Church, 5 Tifeng Road. Chairman: Mr. R. H. Mathews. Speaker: Mr. A. E Phillips. Theme: The Man of Sin: His Power and Penalty.

SUNGPAN hsien in northwest Szechuan is now being divided into three districts to facilitate district administration and the development of its natural resources, according to a Chungking report to the Cheng Yien Pao. Each sub-divided district will maintain an administrative district bureau.

THIS evening at 7.30 over XMHA the Shanghai Catholic Radio League presents a talk by the Rev. James F. Kearney, S. J., on the relations between Church and State. Due to Fa her Kearney's absence from Shanghai the Rev. Leo F. McGreal, S. J., will read the talk on the Catholic Hour broadcast.

IN view of the public interest taken in the voting on the amendment moved at the Special Meeting of Ratepayers by Mr. E. S. Little and seconded by Mr. V. M. Allington it may be of value to announce that on the poll there voted in favour of the amendment 393 persons and against the amendment 407 persons, states the S.M.C.

ANOTHER case of commandeering was reported to the police at 9.10 a.m. yesterday when the driver of Johnson taxi 18591 was forced out of the car by three men, one of them reported to be armed with a pistol. The crime occured on Yan Jan Pang, off Yenping Road, and the taxi was later found abandoned on Avenue Edward VII. It was not known whether the taxi had been commandeered with a view of committing a crime, but investigations are being continued.

THE annual concert of young artists, arranged by Professor S.S. Aksakov, will take place on February 14 in the League of the Foreign Y.M.C.A. building. The concert is open to members of the Association and their friends, and the programme is considered to surpass those of similar concerts in previous years. This year the pupils of Professor Aksakov, Professor B. M. Lazareff, Professor B. G. Shuehlin and Madame B. L. Mikinchuk will participate, and other well known local artistes who will appear with the younger musicians are Mmes Fausta Saharova, Gora Goustova and Tamara Chumakova.

THE Shanghai Municipal Police report for the week ending February 8, showed an increase in minor crimes, tthe total number being given as 336 as compared to 239 reported during the previous week. Armed robberies, however, continued on the downward grade and there were only fourteen, with one of them an attempted robbery. Other minor crimes showed increases, the biggest one being in the larceny cases, which rose to 163. An increase of 212 arrests was recorded and of the number 115 were identified as old offenders. Largest number of persons arrested was for gambling, the police detaining 152 and identifying 38.

RUMOURS, which found wide currency in Shanghai on Friday that the Hongkong Government had as a precautionary measure again banned the export of rice to Shanghai were discovered to be absolutely untrue, reports the "Sin Wan Pao." It now appears that rice merchants had concocted such rumours for profit-taking and to disturb market prices, which reacted upon an upward trend yesterday, and thus generally showed a gain of one dollar as compared with the previous day. Telegraphic advices received from Hongkong rice merchants in reply to local enquiries stated that consignments of rice are still being sent to Shanghai, the report concludes.

A member of the British Parliament seems to have got into some trouble by his use of the word "brats" in reference to the evacuated children. In Yorkshire a "brat" is a pinafore or apron. "I put her a clean 'brat' on this morning" is a regular expression by mothers. In the South Country "brat" is always used in the contemptuous sense, but in Durham, Northumberland, and Scotland it may even be a term of endearment. It was more in this sense that in his maiden speech Major Duncan McCallum, who succeeded the late Mr. Macquisten as member for Argyll, used the word. Major McCallum is the son of the veteran Mr. Charles Coborn, who, at over 88 years of age, can still sing "The Man That Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo."

Shanghai Bride Has Hectic Wedding at Home

The picture shows Miss Nancy Neild, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Neild, formerly of Shanghai, whose wedding during an air raid is described in the story below.

Wedding Under Air-raids

Shanghai Girl Marries At Tunbridge Wells; Gay Time at Calverly Hotel

I am sending you this group taken just before Nancy Neild (daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Neild) arrived at the church for her wedding. At the last minute we had to change it to Tunbridge Wells, as the Rennells, who were lending their house, had no windows left and lived and slept in the basement and ground floor. So we changed it to Tunbridge Wells and had the reception at the Calverly Hotel, states a letter recently received in Shanghai, in which the wedding of Miss Neild, formerly of Shanghai, is described.

We had had a very bad time the preceding week with air fights all day and bombs dropping near each night. I very much doubted if we would ever get to the wedding. Nancy had a white wedding; she carried the most gorgeous piece of Brussels lace I have ever seen—it fell rom a spray of artificial orange blossoms on her head and formed a train over the shorter train of her thick, parchment-coloured crepe dinner frock, which had a heart-shaped neck and long sleeves. She carried a sheaf of Hamsi lilies. Miss Ray Stoper was the only bridesmaid, in turquoise velvet with clove carnations.

The first time we went to try on her frock and veil there was a very bad raid—two bombs fell near and then we heard two more come whistling down. Everyone went down on their hands and knees and I thought our last hour had come. Then again as she got in the car ready to go to church....It was a glorious day, however, and Hitler was kind. There was no more excitement until they left when a terrific fight took place overhead.

About 150 came to the wedding, all locals except for immediate relatives. Mr. T. J. Fisher of B. & S. came down with Tony who proposed the bride's health. The only other people were the Nyes, Barlams, and Mrs. Stuart, and Burton-Sayers. Everyone tells me Nancy made the lovliest bride they have ever seen—and she really looked lovely. She spent the honeymoon at Broadwood and said t was lovely to get away from the war for three months.

Planes Turned Back

At (censored) literally hundreds of German planes would come over and be attacked and turned back by our marvellous men. One would watch the fight take place miles up and then see the trail of Huns turn back. Certainly we realized what Churchill meant by "never had so many owed so much to so few." Our young gardener, who is 20, volunteered and was stationed at (.....) where they have a very bad time. He has been guarding an aerodrome which is being attacked all the time. He told me he marvelled at the way our pilots would come down to refuel and step out as coolly as anything while they were being bombed and machine-gunned all the time. Truly no Greek god excelled them.

Eric has had a house job at St. Thomas's for the last six months and was there for the first two months of the blitzkrieg. St. Thomas's had a terrible time and has been repeatedly bombed. There have been a lot of casualties amongst the nursing staff and the A.R.P. workers. One of the first attacks demolished the nurses' quarters and Eric's room was completely smashed; luckily he was on duty elsewhere that night. All patients, except emergencies in the basement had been sent to the country after Dunkirk, but those left had no water, gas, light or medicines and lived completely in the basement i. two tiny wards with one X-Ray. There were no windows, so you can realize how cold it was. Soon he is being sent to Broadwood for a rest and is expecting to join the R.A.M.C. soon.

B. W. A.

Monday, Feb. 10.—Needlecraft Section Annual General Meeting at Headquarters 10 a.m. Badminton. Sports Section Annual General Meeting at Headquarters 5.30 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 11.—Musical and Dramatic Section Committee at Mrs. Umpleby's, 10.30 a.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 12.—Red Cross Work 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. War Work Knitting 9.30 to 11.30 a.m.
Thursday, Feb. 13.—Executive Committee 9.30 a.m. Bridge and Mahjongg tea, 3 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 14.—Badminton.
Saturday, Feb. 15.—Badminton. War Work Knitting 9.30 to 11.30 a.m.

Members are asked to make a note now of the date of the Annual General Meeting of the Association which will take place on March 27 at 5.15 p.m. Preliminary notices will be posted in due course.

The Social Service Board is busy with another jumble sale. Clothing and old household articles of all kinds will be welcome. Parcels may be sent to the office or if in doubt ring 10220.

The Home and Garden Section have arranged a very interesting lecture at Headquarters on February 21 at 10 a.m. on "Economical Dishes." Their jam makers are asking for jars and bottles.

The February issue of the B.W.A. Magazine has been posted to members. Any one who has not received a copy should check up with the Secretary as soon as possible.

A bridge and mahjongg tea has been arranged at Headquarters on Thursday, February, 13. It is hoped that members will support these teas which have been started as a social event to enable members to get together and to entertain their friends. Only a limited number of tables will be available and members are asked to book early.

Successful Concert

There was a very successful Young People's Concert held at Headquarters on Thursday afternoon, which was greatly appreciated by a crowded audience. The first item on the programme was a musical play entitled "The Dream Lady" arranged by Mrs. M. Pecaric and performed by the pupils of the Public and Thomas Hanbury School. It would be very difficult to make particular mention of any one character, as each performer acted excellently, that of the King being exceptionally good.

The play was followed by a song recital given by Miss L. Abramoviten and pianoforte solos by Miss Z Goldberg. These two young and talented artistes fully deserved the high praise accorded them by the delighted audience.

The final item on the programme was the portrayal of various scenes from "Alice in Wonderland," given by young pupils of the Cathedral School for Girls under the direction of Miss Symons. These young people showed dramatic ability of no mean order and gave a lifelike representation of the various characters.

Mrs. R. Umpleby, Chairman of the Section, in a few well chosen words thanked all those who had in anyway contributed to the great success of the concert.

American Nominees Selected

Mr. Allman, Dr. McMullen Nominated to S.M.C.

The two American nominees to the Shanghai Municipal Council were selected at the executive meeting of the American Association on Friday, it was learned yesterday. These will be Mr. N. F. Allman, prominent local lawyer, and Dr. R. J. McMullen, chairman of the Association and head of the Hangchow Christian College.

Mr. Allman is at present serving on the Council, having been elected last year when he obtained the largest number of votes. He is also the publisher of the "Shun Pao," local Chinese language paper, which has been bombed on several occasions.

The other nominee, however, will have to be approved by the Home Board of the mission to which he is attached. Dr. McMullen's nomination marks a precedent, however, since it is the first time that a missionary has been selected for the S.M.C. Should the necessary approval be forthcoming, Dr. McMullen will take the place of Mr. J. W. Carney, the American Vice-Chairman of the Council, who recently resigned.

Chinese Sentenced on Gambling Charges

Nearly twenty Chinese, found guilty of operating a gambling den in the Burlington Hotel, received heavy fines and terms of imprisonment in the First Special District Court yesterday. All the accused admitted that they were employed by W. Hawkins, a Briton, as servants or attendants. Hawkins, who was recently convicted by H. M. Police Court and fined, had as his assistant Ning Kwen-yuan, who was sentenced to eight months imprisonment and a fine of $1.000. A carpenter, who made the gambling paraphanalia used in the den received six months in prison and a fine of $500. The 16 other accused received sentences varying from 3 to five months, and in addition fines ranging from $250 to $400.

Court of Consuls and Jail Committee

The Municipal Council has been notified by the Senior Consul that the following have been elected as judges of the Court of Consuls for the year 1941:—Mr. A. H. George, H. M. Consul-General, (President) Mr. Tatkei Horiuchi, Consul-General for Japan; Mr. Frank P. Lockhart, Consul-General for the U.S.A. Mr. E. A. Long, Secretary of the Consular Body, will continue to act as secretary to the Court.

The Senior Consul has also informed the Municipal Council that the following have been elected to serve on the Consular Committee for the Inspection of Municipal jails for the year 1941:—Mr. Stanislaw B. M. de Rosset, Consul-General for Poland; Dr. J. E. Teixeira, Consul for Portugal; Mr. A. H. Hasselman, Vice-Consul for the Netherlands. The Secretary of the Consular Body, Mr. E. A. Long, will continue to serve as Secretary of the Committee.

SHIPPING NEWS

The **Tsingtao Maru**, of the Dairen Kisen Kaisya, is due to arrive in Shanghai from Tsingtao and Dairen tomorrow afternoon at about 4 o'clock, when she will berth alongside the company's Whangpoo Wharf. The liner, which carries mail and passengers, will remain here for 36 hours, sailing on her return trip to the north on February 12.

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The ss. **President Coolidge** of the American President Lines will arrive from Los Angeles, San Francisco, Honolulu, Yokohama and Kobe, on Tuesday. She will berth at the lower buoys 11 and 12, and passengers will disembark by tender, arriving at the Customs Jetty at 9 a.m. She will sail for Hongkong and Manila on the same evening, the last tender leaving the Customs Jetty at 9.30 p.m.

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The D.K.K. **Dairen Maru** is due to sail again for the northern ports this morning at 9 o'clock, with mail and passengers. The liner arrived here two days ago, berthing alongside the company's Whangpoo Wharf. Ordinary letter mail for the ship will be closed at the Post Office at 7.15 this morning. Passengers for the north are requested to embark from the wharf between 7.30 and 8.30 this morning.

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The ss. **Kobe Maru**, shuttle steamer of the Toa Kaiun Kaisya, entered port yesterday afternoon at 1.30 from Nagasaki direct, when she berthed alongside the company's Wayside Wharf. The liner, which carries mail and passengers, will sail on her return trip to Japan this morning at 8.30. Outgoing passengers for the ship should embark from the wharf direct at least half an hour before sailing time.

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The **President Cleveland**, fast liner of the American President Lines fleet, arrived in harbour late last night, tying up at the lower buoys 12 and 13. Passengers came ashore by tender, reaching the Customs Jetty shortly before midnight. The liner will stay until tomorrow morning, when she will continue her eastbound trip to San Francisco and Los Angeles, via Kobe and Honolulu at about 9.30 a.m. According to present arrangements the last tender for outgoing passengers will leave the Customs Jetty at 8.45 tomorrow morning. The liner came here from Manila and Hongkong, with a large number of through passengers and mail. No visitors will be allowed on board the ship during her stay in port.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From Bombay & Calcutta		From Karachi	
Lima M	— 11/2	Kasima M	— 17/2
M'bourne M	— 25/2		
Matue M	— 25/2		

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From New York		From Honolulu	
Dona A'rora	— 21/2	Tatuta M	13/1 17/2
		Nitta M	2/2 3/3
From Los Angeles		**From Yokohama**	
P Clidge	20/1 11/2	P C'lidge	7/2 11/2
Tatuta M	5/1 17/2		
Nitta M	24/1 3/3	**From Kobe**	
		Taiyo M	12/2 14/2
From Seattle		M'real M	15/2 17/2
W C'seta	20/1 16/2	**From Nagasaki**	
		N'saki M	10/2 11/2

CHINA PORTS

From Dairen		From Hongkong	
T'tao M	8/2 10/2	Asama M	11/2 13/2

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Montreal M	17/2		
Dona Aurora	26/2	**For Yokohama**	
Kinai M	9/3	Lima M	13/2
		Matue M	27/2
For Los Angeles		Tatuta M	28/2
P Cleveland	10/2		
Asama M	14/2	**For Kobe**	
Nankai M	14/2	Taiyo M	16/2
Asama M	14/2	Melbourne M	27/2
P Coolidge	25/2		
Kinai M	9/3	**For Nagasaki**	
		Kobe M	9/2
For Seattle		Nagasaki M	12/2
West Cuseta	14/2	S'hai M	15/2
For Manila		**For Dairen**	
P Coolidge	12/2	Dairen M	9/2
Tatuta M	18/2	Tsingtao M	12/2
West Cuseta	19/2	Hoten M	15/2
		Dairen M	17/2
For Hongkong			
P Coolidge	12/2		
West Cuseta	14/2		

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Tikugo M.	Dairen	T.K.K.
Koga M.	Tientsin	D.K.K.
Chenyuan	Tsingtao	Tai Ping
Keizan M.	Tsingtao	Y.K.K
Kobe M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Pres. Cleveland	Manila	A.P.I.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Tairai M.	Jap.	D.K.K.
Kimikawa M.	Jap.	Showa S.
Bougainville	Fr.	M.M.
Ekisin M.	Jap.	D.K.K.
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4 months' sight credits	3 7/32d
4 months' sight docts	3 1/32d.
6 months' sight credits	31 3/32d
6 months' sight docts	31 5/32d.
New York—demand, $100=	U.S. $5 7/8
4 months' sight credits	U.S. $5 7/8
4 months' sight docts	U.S. $5½

NEW YORK/LONDON CASH RATES

£1=U.S. $4.03½ U.S. $1=59.48d.

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling ..... 3 1/32d. U.S. $5 1/32
Hongkong/London 1/3

NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY

Java Guilders ..... Selling 10

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO., INC.

Buying U.S.$100=$1.839.080 £1=$70.458
Selling U.S.$100=$1.904.761 £1=$73.142

HUA HSING COMMERCIAL BANK

Sterling Selling Rate @ 6d per H.H.$ 1
U.S.$ Selling „ @ 9½ „ H.H.$100
Local $ (Fapi) selling @ 179 per H.H.$100

CUSTOMS OFFICIAL RATES FOR DUTY PAYMENTS

Gold Unit 1.00—Hua Hsing $2.797
Gold Unit 1.00—CRBS or Local $ $5.119

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

£	Highest 31 1/8	Lowest 31 1/32
U.S. $	5 7/8	5 31/32

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

	SELLING	BUYING
Cash		Feb./Mar.
£ T.T.	3 5/8	4 m/s. l.c. 3.7
U.S.$ T.T.	5 7/8	4 m/s. l.c. 5 1/16
Rs. T.T.	18 1/2	15 d/s. 19

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	23¼	23¼
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34¾	—
Bombay closed.		

U.S. $/£ CROSS RATE CASH QUOTATIONS

New York closing rate for Feb. 7 4.02
Local Sellers of U.S.$ against £ at the close 3.82½
Local Buyers of U.S.$ against £ at the close 3.83½

The local exchange market opened unchanged with sellers for cash at 3 3/32d. sterling and 5 7/8 U.S.$. Later in the morning, a steadier tone prevailed but the market did not show a great deal of activity and at the close business was quiet with sellers at:

2 1/32d. Sterling 5 1/32 U.S.$. Cash/Feb.
3 3/32 „ 5 5/16 „ Mar.

Foreign Exchanges

Closing, Feb. 7.

Bombay Rupee T. T. on:			
Japan	81¼	London	1/5 31/32
New York	332¼	2 mths	
Shanghai	193¾	„ sellers	1/5 31/32
Hongkong	84⅛	„ buyers	1/6 1/32
		Japan 2 mths	
		„ sellers	82¾
		„ buyers	77
London £ Sterling T. T. on:			
New York	402.50	Bombay	1/6 1/32
Madrid	40.00	Hongkong	1/3 3/32
Berne	17.30	Singapore	2/4 7/32
Bel. Congo	176½	Yokohama	1/2½
Shanghai	3½d.	„ buying	1/2
New York U.S.$. T. T. on:			
Berlin	40.05	Brazil	5.05
Spain	9.25 N.	Japan	23.45/48*
Paris	2.15	Shanghai	5.43
Italy	5.05 N.	Hungary	19.75
S'zerland	23.22	Rumania	0.50
„ "free"	23.25	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Sweden	23.85	Finland	2.05
Montreal	82.875	Manila	49.80 N.
London			4.03
Buenos Aires Paper			29.78
„ „ „ market rate			23.60
Montreal on London			4.86½

N—Nom. *Offered, †—Free rate.—Reuter

Foreign Money Rates

London:	Feb. 7.	
Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1 1/16%
Bank Bills,	6 months	1 1/16%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2 3/4%
Fine Trade Bills	6 months	3¼%
Call money		0 7/8%
New York:		
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months		0 1/2%B 0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months		0 5/8%B 0 9/16%A
Call money		1%

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

U.S. Commodities

Friday's Closing Quotations

New York, Feb. 7.

Cotton prices were marked down on commission house selling in a session of listless trading, which found a scarcity of buying support. At the close, quotations were from unchanged to 3 points down from the previous final levels.

Stagnancy prevailed in the market for raw rubber futures, with trading consisting mostly of switching operations and buying for immediate needs. At the last callover, quotations were from 1 point down to 7 points up from yesterday.

The early easiness witnessed in the Chicago Wheat Pit today was influenced by the continued favourable crop reports and the easiness of securities. Later, however, losses were recovered on a good mill demand. At the final bell, gains from ¼ to ⅜ cent were registered.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
Mar.	10.34-34 —02	Mar.	19.85-85 +01
May	10.33-33 —01	May	19.72-75 —01
July	10.21-21 —03	July	(N.C.)
Oct.	9.73-73 —01		19.55-55 unch.
Dec.	9.70-70 —01	Sept.	(N.C.)
Jan.	9.67 N. unch.		19.45 N. +07

N. Y. Sugar No. 3		N. Y. Sugar No. 4	
Mar.	1.99-2.00 —01	Mar.	
	B/A		0.71½-71½ +1½ B/A
May	2.04-05 —01	May	0.74-75 +1 B/A

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
May	82½-82⅝ +¼	May	62-61⅞ +¼
July	76⅞-77 +⅜	July	61⅞-61⅞ +¼

New York Silk No. 1

Mar. $2.52½B-53½A unch.

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

New York Stocks

Friday's Closing Quotations

New York, Feb. 7

Trading was quiet and featureless on Wall Street today, with stock values generally closing fractions lower from yesterday. Operators were still clinging to the sidelines, as there were no fresh incentives to add new commitments, while European war developments remained a major factor

Dealings were strictly professional, as there was not much speculative following either way.

The volume of business done totalled 340,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	124.58	123.57	124.30	—0.46
20 Rails	23.33	23.07	22.21	—0.19
15 Utilit.	20.15	19.94	20.07	+0.02
40 Bonds	—	—	91.03	—0.28
11 Commod.	—	—	55.91	+0.01

Feb. 6	7		Feb. 6	7
Adams Exp 6	6	Libbey O F	36	36½
Ala Lnd 21⅛	21⅛	Loew's Inc	33⅜	33⅜
Allis Chal 33¼	32½	Lor* Inc	18⅜	17⅞
Alum Ltd *71⅜	*70	Mack Trks	28⅛	28⅜
Amer Can 87⅜	87¼	Martin	26½	26⅜
Am Cyan 34	33¾	McK & R	26½	26
Am For Pr 0⅛	*0⅛	Mont Ward	37⅛	37
„ $7 pfd 16⅝	17	Mountain	3¼	3⅛
Am Loco 14⅛	13⅞	Nat Avian	9⅜	9¼
Am Metal 18⅞	18¼	Nat City B	*26⅞	*26¼
Am Radtr 6⅜	6⅜	Nat Dairy	13⅜	13⅜
Am R Mill 14¼	13⅞	Nat Dist	21⅜	21¼
Am Smelt 42⅜	41	Nat Lead	16⅜	16⅜
Am Sug 14⅛	14	Nat P & L	6⅜	6⅜
Am T & T 163⅛	163⅜	Nat Sup	5⅜	5⅜
Am Tob B 72	70½	N Y Cent	13¼	13
Am Wtwrks 6⅛	6	Niag Hud	2⅜	2⅜
Anaconda 25	25	N A Avian	15	15
Atchison 23	22⅜	N Am Co	15⅜	15⅞
Avian Cpn 4⅛	4⅛	U Pac	6¼	6⅜
Bald Loco 15⅞	15⅞	O I Glass	45	44⅛
Balt & Ohio 3⅜	3⅜	Pac G & E	28½	28⅜
Barber 9⅛	9⅜	Packard	3	3
Barns Oil 8⅛	8¼	Pan A Air	13⅜	13⅜
Bendix †35½	35⅜	Paramount	12	11⅞
Beth Steel 83⅜	83¼	Penn R R	23	23
Bliss 17⅜	17½	P & R Coal	0⅛	0⅛
Boeing 16⅛	16⅜	P S of NJ	28⅜	28⅜
Borg War 17⅜	18⅛	Phil Pet	37⅛	37⅛
Briggs 22⅜	22½	Pullman	25½	24⅜
Budd 4⅜	4⅜	Pure Oil	8	7⅞
Can Pac 3⅛	3⅛	Radio	4⅛	4⅜
Case J I 50	50	Reading	13⅜	13⅛
Celanese 25½	25⅜	Rem Arms	*5⅝	*5⅛
Chase N B *31⅛	*31⅛	Rep Avian	4⅛	4
Ches & O 41⅛	41⅛	Ren Steel	19⅜	19⅜
Chrysler 65⅛	66⅛	Rev C & B	9⅜	9⅛
Col G & E 4⅛	4⅛	Rev Tob B	33½	33
Col Credit 29⅜	29⅜	Safeway	40	*40
Com & Sth 0⅜	0⅛	Schenley	10⅛	10⅛
Cons Edis †21⅛	21⅞	Sears Roeb	73⅜	73¼
Cons Oil 5¼	5⅛	Soc Vac	8⅞	9⅛
Cont Can 37⅜	37⅛	Shell U Oil	11⅛	11⅛
Cont Oil 18⅜	18⅜	Sthrn Pac	9⅜	9⅜
Copld St *15⅞	15⅞	Sthrn Rly	23½	22⅛
Curtis Wr 8⅜	8⅜	Spicer	*32	*32½
„ A 27⅛	26⅜	Std Brands	6⅛	6⅛
Deere 20⅛	20⅞	Std G & E	*1	1
Dist Cpn *17	*16⅜	Std Oil C	19	19⅛
Douglas 69⅜	69	Std Oil N J	34⅜	34⅜
Du Pont 148⅛	147½	Stone & W	7⅜	6⅞
E P Lead 9⅛	9	Studebaker	7⅜	7⅛
Eaton 31⅞	32	Swift Int	18⅛	18⅛
Elec A Lite 30⅜	29⅛	Technicor	9	*9
Elec B & S 3⅜	3⅝	Tex Cpn	36⅛	36⅛
„ $5 pfd 55⅛	57	Tex Gulf	36	35⅞
„ $6 pfd 63	64½	Timken	30⅛	30⅛
Elec & Lt 31	31	Transamer	4⅛	4⅛
Flintkote 13⅛	13⅜	Tw Cent	6⅜	6⅛
Gen A Tr 52⅛	52	Un B & P	11⅛	11
Gen Elec 33¼	33⅜	Un Carbide	65	65⅛
Gen Motor 43⅞	44	Un Pac	80⅛	80⅜
Gen Rly *13⅜	*13⅜	Un Air	38	37⅛
Gen T & R 11⅞	11⅞	Un A Lines	13⅜	13⅜
Glidden *13¼	13⅜	Un Cpn	1⅛	1⅛
Goodrich 13⅞	13⅛	„ $3 pfd	27⅛	28
„ $5 pfd *62	*62	Un Gas	0⅜	0⅛
Goodyear 18	17⅞	Un G Imp	9⅛	9⅜
Gt N I Ore 14⅛	14⅛	U S Ind	—	*24
Gt N Rly 26¼	26¼	U S Rub	20⅞	21⅜
Gt W Sug 20⅜	20⅛	„ pfd	87	88¼
Grey Corp 11⅛	11⅛	U S Smelt	*60	60
Her Power 69¾	*69	U S Steel	63⅜	63⅛
Homestake 49¼	49¼	Vanadium	30	29⅜
Int Nickel 25⅜	25⅝	Vultee	7	7⅛
Int Paper 13⅛	12⅞	Walworth	5⅛	5
Int T & T *2⅛	2⅛	War Br Plc	3⅛	3⅛
Johns Man 58⅛	58⅛	West Elec	95⅛	96⅛
Kennecott 33⅛	33	Woodward	29⅜	*29⅞
Lock Air 24⅛	23⅞			

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	57¼	56⅞
Australia Comm.	59⅝	59½
Balt. & Ohio "A" 5s	41½	41¼
Brazil (U.S. of) 8% 1941	18½	18¾
„ „ „ 6½% 1957	15¾	15⅝
Cities Serv. Pwr. & Lt.	92	93¼
Erie 5s 1967	18⅛	18
Int. Tel. & Tel.	41	40⅞
New England Gas & Elec.	64¾	64½
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	46¾	45¾
Stand. Gas & Elec.	79¼	79⅛

*—Bid. †—Ex Div.

Dow-Jones Summary

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Conditions on the Stock Exchange today were irregular, with the volume around the lowest level in several months. An early afternoon recovery resulted in some small gains and a firming tendency just before the close offset a second reaction. Likewise, further British victories in Libya aided market sentiment. However, traders continued to pay more attention to individual situations. Motors were aided by Ward's production reports, showing a new year's high for this week, plus reports from leading makers that February/March production schedules are being raised as sales exceeded expectations. Losses in rails were attributed to the railroad labour demands. The net profit of General Motors is the fifth best in the history of the corporation. Net sales of United States Rubber have reached the highest level in twenty years, while net profits are the second best on record. Retail business is reported at the best level for a decade.

Stocks:—There was a declining volume as the market attempted to rally. This is considered poor technical action and lends weight to the theory that the recent lows are likely to be tested.

STATISTICS

	Week Ended 7/2	Week Ended 31/1
Production of cars and trucks (Ward's estimate)	125.000 (units)	124,400

Dividends: — Borg-Warner—$0.40 payable on April 1 to stockholders on record as of March 18.

EARNINGS

Stock	Period	1940	1939
U.S. Rubber	Yr. 31/12	$3.58	$3.18

Cotton:—Ruled quiet but steady.

Wheat:—A forecast of clear weather steadied the market towards the close. Floor trade continued to be light. Crop reports were very favourable.

Corn:—Trading was featureless.

Rubber:—The market was stagnant. It is estimated that Malayan domestic rubber exports during January totalled 55,000 tons.

Hides:—Few sales of native steers were effected at 1-cent lower, but a broad tanner demand was still lacking. Some liquidation of March contracts was noticeable.

Cocoa:—Presented a firm appearance on renewed buying, in anticipation of a marketing agreement.

Sugar No. 4:—The market was steadier. There was renewed Cuban selling, while liquidation showed a tendency to dry up.

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The New York stock market, during the current period under review, continued on its downward course, which was accentuated in the preceding week, until Wednesday, when the Dow-Jones Industrial Average rose 1.51 points for purely technical reasons. The turnover, moreover, was on a smaller scale, and the trading on Tuesday was the dullest in five months. Market operators demonstrated a complete lack of speculative interest, which was partially caused by disappointment in the annual earnings statements of many companies, which were lower than in 1939. On Wednesday and Thursday, stock prices moved up from fractions to more than two points, under the leadership of steels and rails, due to technical factors and short covering, particularly in the first mentioned group. The volume, however, remained unimportant, as market analysts were not convinced that the rise represented a change in trend.

Commodities, as gauged by the Dow-Jones 11 commodity index, changed but little during the period, as the fear of international developments was restricting interest on either side. Wheat future at Chicago ruled easy, with the continued absence of flour demand, but firmed up on Wednesday, on reports that, with the passage of the Lend and Lease Bill, the United States has also planned to feed Great Britain. Corn, likewise, became steadier at the close of the session, as country offerings diminished temporarily. A leading elevator interest expressed the belief that Government offerings place a ceiling on futures of 63 cents, while declines to nearly 58 cents are likely to result in farmers seeking refuge in the Government loan. In the rubber market, active switching from March to July was a dominant feature, with prices showing minor fluctuations. World sugar weakened somewhat, but March liquidation was well absorbed by hedge lifting, probably against sales to Mexico.

The British authorities have announced a new list of American holdings which have been liquidated, including Kennecott Copper, Lone Star Cement, Celotex and U. S. Rubber, considerably exceeding the announced "over the counter" sales. Traders assumed that the British would continue their liquidation. There has been some talk about American Investment Trusts taking over the British-owned stocks in one big deal, but this seems improbable. In the first place, they do not have the money, and secondly, if they borrow the funds, it would place them in a margined position, which would not be amenable to their stockholders. Finally, if the Trusts buy these securities on an underwriting basis, it may mean an actual hastening of the liquidation, as they could hardly hold these securities indefinitely, which would probably be more harmful to the market rather than a relief. DuPont reported annual earnings of $7.23 per share, after the company had appropriated $10,000,000 as a special emergency reserve. The Metal Reserve Company plans to release copper at 12 cents. General American Transportation has received an order for 750 cars from the French. The magazine "Iron Age" reports that miscellaneous buying and not defence projects is giving steel companies the greatest concern. Bethlehem Steel output for January is at a new high. The American Telephone & Telegraph Company has reported a record number of telephones in use.

THE MARKET IN FIGURES

	Thursday Jan. 30	Feb. 6
D.-J. average for 30 Indus.	124.65	124.76
D.-J. average for 20 Rails	28.17	28.40
D.-J. average for 15 Utili.	19.53	20.05
D.-J. average for 40 Bonds	91.36	91.31
D.-J. 11 Commodity Index	55.72	55.90

COMMODITY INDEX

Chicago Wheat	82½	82⅜
Corn	61½	61¾
Cotton	10.36	10.36
Rubber	19.80	19.88
Hides	12.60	12.71
Sugar	.73½	.70
Cocoa	4.97	5.16
Copper	11.40	11.45

BUSINESS

	Previous	Latest
N.Y. Times Business Index	123.7	123.6
Steel operations (% of capacity)	97.1	96.9
Carloadings (carloads)	711,00	714,000
Elec. power prod. (kw. hrs.)	*2,830,000	*2,830,000
Aver. daily oil prod. (bbls.)	3,599,000	3,590,000
Automobileo utput (cars)	121,948	124,400

*000 omitted.

Stock Outlook: So long as the fear exists what major international developments, possibly of an adverse nature, will occur during the next few months, it is difficult to foresee any, other than a technical, rise in the securities market. It, therefore, appears the better part of discretion to lighten commitments in anticipation of bargains that might appear later on.

London Stocks

Friday's Closing Quotations

London, Feb. 7.

Sentiment on the London Stock Exchange today, which was early depressed on taxation uncertainties, sharply improved on news of the capture of Benghazi.

Widespread small losses were generally regained. Net gains were recorded in several sections of industrials, including textiles and tobaccos.

Oils improved, while British gilt-edged and South African minings remained generally unchanged on the day.

Among foreign bonds, Belgian 4 per cent. continued to advance.—Reuter.

	Feb. 6	7
U.K. LOANS		
3½% War Loan (Red.)	£103 7/8	103 7/8
3% Defence Loan	101¼	101⅛
CHINESE LOANS		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	44	44
4½% Anglo French Loan	42—47	42—47
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	26	26
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	34	34
5% Stg. Notes, 1925	10	10
5% Honan Rly. 1905	16	16
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911 (Ger. Is.)	15	15
5% „ „ „ (Ger. Is.)	13	13
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	14	14
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	16	16
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	15	15
5% „ „ G.	15	15
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) B.	15	15
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) G.	15	15
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	13	13
5% Chinese Imp. Rly.	47	47
JAPANESE BONDS		
5% Sterling Loan, 1907	22⅛	23
6% Sterling Loan 1924	26	26
BANKS AND INSURANCE		
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	8¾	8¾
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	81	81
„ „ „ (Col. Reg.)	83 N	83 N
Mercantile Bank of India	11⅛	11⅛
National Bank of India	31¾	31¾
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	20	20
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIALS		
Bristol Aeroplane	10/6	10/6
B'tish American Tobacco	90/	91/10½
Dunlop Rubber	33/9	33/9
Imp. Chem. Industries	29/3	29/4½
United Steel	22/6	22/6
Woolworths	53/9	53/9
MINES		
Chinese Eng. & Min.	18/-	18/-
Chosen Corp.	4/-	4/-
Marsman Investments	7/6	7/6
Pekin-Syndicate	1/6	1/6
Sub-Nigel	145/-	145/-
Western Holdings	9/9	9/9
MISCELLANEOUS		
Great Western Rly.	35¼	34¾
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	15/7½	15/7½
London, Midland & Scot.	14⅝	14⅜
S'hai Elec. Construction	15/-	15/-
S'hai Waterworks "A"	13½	13½
Shell Transport & Trad.	44/4½	45/-

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Cotton yn., 20's, D.H. per bale	$1,486
Tungchow cotton .. per picul	236
Shanghai cotton .. per picul	214
Raw silk, Steamfil, 20/22 78%	$5,000 nom.
Wheat .. per picul (50 kilos)	$38.00
Flour, local .. per bag (49lb.)	$23.00
Flour, imported per bag (49lb.)	24.70

British Commodities

Friday's Closing Quotations

London, Feb. 7.

The London rubber market continued to rule idle.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 12 7/16 unch; sellers 12 9/16 unch; Mar. delivery, buyers 12 7/16 unch; sellers 12 9/16 unch;

London Metals: Tin, Standard, cash, middle price £256⅜ —⅜. 3 mths, middle price £257⅞ —⅜.—Reuter.

London Bullion

London, Feb. 7.

London Gold: Bar, Fine, per oz 168/- unchanged.

London Silver: Quiet conditions prevailed, with business done very small. After the official fixing, the market was quiet and featureless.

Spot	23¼d. —1/16d.
Forward	23¼d. —1/16d.

—Reuter.

Britain Takes 30% Of U.S. Exports

November Figures Show British Empire Took 60% Of Shipments

Washington, Jan. 7.

The value of United States exports in November was $16,000,000 lower than the October total, principally because of the decline in shipments of a compartively few items to Canada, the United Kingdom and Japan, the Department of Commerce made known today. Exports to Latin America, Australia and Africa increased, but not in sufficient volume to offset the decreases. Total exports amounted to $328,000,000, while imports rose $16,000,000 in the month to an aggregate of $223,000,000 states the "New York Times."

The gain in imports was due principally to larger receipts of goods from Canada, Japan, Soviet Russia and the Belgian Congo.

Empire Takes 60 Per Cent.

In November, as in other recent months, the United Kingdom took more than 30 per cent. of total United States exports, and British countries, as a group, took more than 60 per cent.

Since the armistice between Germany and Italy and France, and the spread of the war to the Mediterranean last June, the total value of the United States exports to the United Kingdom has increased substantially, being valued in each succeeding month at more than $100,000,000.

Shipments to Britain Up

The November total of $102,000,000, compares with exports to the United Kingdom of approximately $31,000,000 in November, 1939, with the gain concentrated largely in a few non-agricultural commodities. Exports in November to British countries, as a group, were valued at $203,000,000, or almost double the value in November, 1939.

Exports to the Continent of Europe, which registered a decline from $73,000,000 in November, 1939, to $15,000,000, represented only 5 per cent. of total United States exports in November, 1940.

The almost negligible volume of shipments of cotton and scrap iron in November, and decreases in other iron and steel products, in copper and in metal-working machinery, account principally for the decline in the value of total exports to Japan from $25,000,000 in November, 1939, to $16,000,000.

Exports to Latin America

Exports to Latin America in November were approximately $70,500,000, the highest monthly total since last June, when Argentina was purchasing United States goods in a larger volume than recently. Shipments in November to Argentina, valued at $5,900,000 compare with a total of almost $15,000,000 last June, although the November figures represented a slight increase over the recent low level that was touched in October.

Brazil Is Taking More

United States exports to Brazil of automobiles, rails and various other iron and steel products had a sizable increase in November, and the total of all such merchandise shipped to South America's largest republic amounted to $10,800,000.

Exports to other South American countries, and to Cuba, also advanced to relatively high levels during November. Although our trade with Mexico dropped off, compared with October, shipments in November to that country were among the highest for the year.

The Latin-American nations took 21.5 per cent. of total United States exports in November, a higher percentage than during the months immediately preceding the beginning of the war but about the same overall percentage as in November of last year.

Imports

Increases in imports from a few countries accounted largely for the rise in the value of total inward shipments. Russia and New Zealand furnished increased amounts of fur skins, compared with October, Japan supplied larger quantities of raw silk, and the Belgian Congo sent an increased volume of metals.

The value of November imports, however, was slightly off, compared with the month in 1939.

Arrivals of merchandise from the Continent of Europe were valued at less than $14,000,000 in November, 1940, whereas a year previous imports from these sources reached $46,000,000.

Inward shipments from the United Kingdom and Ireland were down from $14,000,000 to $11,000,000. Imports from Latin America also decreased from $52,000,000 in November, 1939, to $48,000,000 in November, last year.

Control Strengthened On Foreign Exchange

Japanese Government Given Power Impose Restrictions

Tokyo, Feb. 7.

Primarily aimed to counteract concerted economic measures by Britain and the United States, amendments have been made to the Foreign Exchange Control Law, generally strengthening control for wartime purposes and making the control more flexible in application.

One of the amendments gives the Japanese Government power to impose necessary restrictions on the assets of foreigners living in Japan in order to safeguard Japanese economic rights and interests abroad. This provision is entirely absent in the existing law.

In view of the varieties of exchange control being exercised abroad, a provision of this sort is considered wholly warranted and just, and it will be held as a trump card in case Japanese interests abroad are in jeopardy. It will serve as a legal ground for whatever necessary restrictions that may be imposed on the assets of foreigners in Japan. Every care, however, is to be taken in the enforcement of the stipulation.

Another amendment seeks to empower the Government to effect measures of control so that Japanese assets abroad or Japanese assets in foreign currencies may be safeguarded against foreign measures or may appropriately be used to advance trade. Under the existing law, the Government is empowered to order the sale of assets abroad, if necessary, but the amendment will not only empower the Government to issue such orders, but to control or make use of such assets or to prohibit the creation of such assets in a designated foreign country.—Reuter.

New York Prices Irregular

New York, Feb. 7.

Prices moved irregularly on the Stock Exchange during dull trading today. Wall Street experts considered the market at present to be in an uncertain position, subject to tests of its ability to hold its recent rise.

Many commentators, however, suggested purchases of what they considered backward stocks. Thus predictions were made for at least a selective market for the near future.

The movement of averages these days was considered meaningless. The lack of vigour in steel and motor shares was seen as a deterrent to speculative interest, which was at a low ebb.

Commodities fluctuated fractionally today, while steels closed slightly lower. Motors were steady as a result of continued heavy production, aggregating 125,000 automobiles and trucks for the week, while February and March production schedules were being raised to meet increased demands.—United Press.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Feb. 8.	Bid Prices a.m. Closing
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Mindanao Motherlode	.1125
Manila Hal-Alai	7.00
Benguet Consolidated (over the counter)	4.30 A

Turnover (Morning Session): 13,700 Pesos.

Shares Index (Morning Session): 43.85.

A—Asked. S—Sales.—Reuter.

Share Values

The statistical value of the International Investment Trust Co. of China Ltd., shares last Friday was $31.56, and of the Yangtsze Finance Co. Ltd., $22.87.

Worthless Notes As Currency

It has now come to light that, in addition to the methods officially sponsored by the Germans of despoiling the occupied countries by clearing accounts and fixing arbitrary rates of exchange for the mark, a still more vulgar form of fraud is being practised, states the "Daily Telegraph."

This consists of tendering to shopkeepers in payment for goods worthless German banknotes of the inflation period after the last war, of which large numbers must have been preserved as curios.

The fact that this fraud is widespread is proved by the discovery of German Army orders which condemn the practice. But it is condemned with a significant qualification.

Troops in occupied territory in the west are forbidden to dispose of their monetary curios in this way, because, no doubt, Germany still poses as the friend of France. But the profitable fraud has not been stopped in the east, in Poland and in the Balkans.

General Motors Earnings

New York, Feb. 8.

The General Motors Corporation announced yesterday its 1940 earnings were U.S.$320,600,000, before deducting income and excess profits taxes.

The earnings were highest in the corporation's history and 40½ per cent. above 1939. Earnings were the equivalent of U.S.$4.32 per common share, compared to U.S.$4.04 in 1939. General Motors said.—United Press.

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Rear-Admiral Yates Stirling Believes Germany May Divert Bombers to Extricate Italy From Collapse

New York, Feb. 8.

BRITAIN'S needs in the air are great and if she is to hold the Mediterranean in the face of the increasing Axis aerial activity there she must have more planes, writes Rear-Admiral Yates Stirling, jun.

Since Italy entered the war, the Mediterranean has been closed largely to commercial shipping, endangering Britain's Empire life-line. Germany has used the Italian Navy with the object of causing Britain to utilize as much naval strength in the Mediterranean as possible, thus weakening the Fleet guarding the British Isles from invasion.

Italy however, has disappointed her Axis partner. It appears that Chancellor Hitler has now decided to divert his dive-bombing forces to the Mediterranean to aid the Italians and attempt a "knockout" blow against the British in that sea.

Undisputed Control

The British Navy has succeeded in shutting off Italian supplies to Libya and has hampered seriously the Fascist supply lines across the Adriatic to Albania.

The Italian warships have kept close to their naval bases, thus leaving the Mediterranean in undisputed control of the British Fleet. In consequence, the Italian attack on Egypt proved fruitless and the Greek campaign was bogged down in Albania.

Now Chancellor Hitler has come to the aid of Italy. It probably will be an all-out drive of German air power against Britain's control of the Mediterranean.

For the first time since the war started, German planes have carried out raids on the vital Suez Canal region. This attack appears to have been designed to cut the British Empire life-line to prevent reinforcements by way of Suez from Australia and other Empire points.

Britain Took the Risk

The Germans are concentrating on Britain's Mediterranean island fortress of Malta, where the Nazis report they have attacked several times the British aircraft carrier Illustrious.

Nothing really new has been learned in this action between air power and naval power. It has become an axiom that naval power is at a great disadvantage when near enemy land air bases, from which hundreds of enemy planes can take part in an action against surface warships.

For this reason, war fleets are loath to fight near enemy air bases. But in the Mediterranean there was the necessity for Great Britain to take the risk of such attacks in navigating the narrow passage between Sicily and Africa, where the Illustrious was bombed. The fortified island of Pantelleria in the Strait of Sicily is a menace which the British Navy must accept, having failed so far to reduce it.

More Aircraft Carriers

The British Navy in the Mediterranean has been increased to a force probably equal to one-third of her entire Fleet. There are probably seven battleships, of which at least two are of the King George V class, one battle cruiser, possibly two, probably 18 to 20 cruisers and sixty odd destroyers. A considerable part of the British submarine force also probably is there.

British weakness now is in aircraft carriers and these are all-important if the British warships are to operate near Italian air bases. The Greek islands as bases are not near enough to the scene of operations to give sufficient air support to British warships in the vicinity of the Straits of Sicily.

Britain has only five of the pre-war carriers left. Three at least are being built and should be almost completed. Most of the available carriers doubtless will find their way into the Mediterranean now.

A Problem

Great Britain has been getting along in the Mediterranean thus far with about 2,000 planes, about an equal number to what Italy is supposed to have in active service.

If Germany now should send a few thousand additional planes to strike the British Fleet in the Mediterranean, Britain then must—for her own security in the Mediterranean—send several thousand more plane reinforcements.

Great Britain must weigh very carefully the effect of sending from England so many planes for the Mediterranean area. The German invasion of Britain still is a serious consideration—one that must be uppermost in the British mind. For invasion to succeed Germany must control the air over Britain.

Most Important

What is most important now, however, is the effect upon Britain's sea power in the Mediterranean if Chancellor Hitler succeeds in giving enough air support to control the air over that sea. It is plainly evident that the British Fleet, with inadequate air power, would be in a most serious situation.

Surface warships must be given adequate air defence. Aeroplanes are as important as guns. Surface warships yet are supreme on the surface of the sea, enabling all manner of ships to use the sea and maintain lines of communication. Without sufficient air power, however, surface warships today are virtually helpless against a formidable force of dive bombers and fighting planes.—United Press.

Gauss Appointment Welcomed in U.S.

Chungking Said Getting One of the Ablest Men In Foreign Service

Washington, Feb. 8.

The general reaction to the appointment of Mr. Clarence Gauss as Ambassador to China is that China gets one of the ablest career diplomats in the American foreign service.

The "Washington Post," discussing all the new appointments, says "China and Australia swap to give Nelson Johnson a respite from the rigorous life at Chungking. Simultaneously we shall not be represented in China by what on the China coast they call a griffin or inexperienced envoy, for Clarence Gauss has served most of his consular life in Ca'hay."

Mr. Johnson, it is widely recognized here, has long been in the "firing line" and deserves a rest from the hardships of China's much-bombed wartime capital.

Mr. Gauss is held in high esteem for his years of excellent service in various par's of China, especially the period when he was Consul-General in Shanghai immediately before his appointment to Australia. To few members of the United States Foreign Service is it granted to rise from Consul-General to Ambassador within 12 months, but all his friends are confident that Mr. Gauss will give an excellent account of himself.

Mr. Gauss is said to have had the honour of being personally and particularly commended by the White House for his services in China. It is recalled that he was eulogized in the magazine "Life" when he was appointed to Australia as the man "who had the genius for being right" and who "feared neither man, God nor the devil."—Reuter.

Japan Considering War Declaration-U.S. Report

Blockade of Rangoon Said Primary Factor

Washington, Feb. 8.

Japan is considering a formal declaration of war on China for the purpose of demanding belligerent rights and in order to establish a blockade of Rangoon in the Indian Ocean, according to Scripps-Howard papers.

Japan, however, they add, has first asked Berlin to bring pressure to bear on Moscow to get Russian supplies to China stopped and a non-aggression pact arranged between Moscow and Tokyo.

The papers also report that Germany is trying hard to bring about such an entente in order to free Japan's hands for a diversion in the Pacific in an endeavour to paralyse further American aid for Britain.—Reuter.

Aid for Refugees From Europe Planned

Church Organizations in Japan to Assist

Tokyo, Feb. 8.

Church organizations in Japan, in co-operation with the American Association of Tokyo, have launched a campaign for funds to assist European refugees passing through Japan on the way to North or South America.

The money is primarily to aid non-Jewish refugees. Another agency cares for Jewish refugees, and is reported to be functioning well.

A number of refugees require personal assistance in securing lodging, passport visas, police permits and other assistance. Financial aid is often needed, sometime due to illness and hospital care. Although tickets to their ultimate destination are usually in hand, delays often occur in Japan, while waiting for official papers or passage on crowded boats.—Reuter.

Weygand Denies Nazis To Use French Base

Vichy, Feb. 8.

General Maxime Weygand, Commander-in-Chief of French Forces in Africa, in a radio speech from Algiers, yesterday denied in the name of France rumours the Government would allow Germany to use Bizerta in northern Tunisia.

Gen. Weygand denied negotiations were underway which envisaged handing over Bizerta and eventual debarkation of German troops there.—United Press.

U.S. New Zealand May Trade Envoys

Understanding Reached on Co-operation in Southern Pacific Waters

Washington, Feb. 7.

Viscount Halifax, British Ambassador here, is carrying on conversations with State Department officials regarding the immediate future exchange of ministers between the United States and New Zealand in a move characterized as bringing the two countries into closer collaboration in the South Pacific area, authoritative quarters here reported.

Meanwhile, the talks between Mr. Richard Casey, Australian Minister, and Mr. Cordell Hull have brought reports from Wellington, New Zealand, that Australia, New Zealand and the United States have reached an "understanding" regarding possible future contingencies in the South Pacific.

The reported subjects of discussion include American use of Singapore, refuelling facilities in Australian and New Zealand ports, and flying fields in these British dominions.

State Department officials declined to comment on the reports.—Domei.

Take Place Shortly

Washington, Feb. 7.

The establishment of direct diplomatic negotiations between the United States and New Zealand will take place shortly, according to well-informed circles here.

Such a decision would aim at strengthening the friendly relations existing between the United States and the various Pacific states.—Havas.

No Change in Japan, U.S. Relations Seen

Washington Waits to See What Nomura Offers

Washington, Feb. 7.

Official quarters at Washington expect two impending developments, which will largely determine the trend of Japanese-American relations in the immediate future.

First, the arrival of Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura who is expected to open exploratory talks aimed at easing Japan-United States tension, and second, the current mediation proceedings at Tokyo which is feared may result in a new agreement bolstering Japanese influence in the southern Asiatic area.

Officials are waiting to see whether Admiral Nomura will bring concrete and positive proposals.

They are generally not inclined to anticipate any sudden improvement in relations between the two countries as long as Japanese policies remain anchored in alliance.

Nevertheless officials are hopeful that a frank discussion between Admiral Nomura and the administration leaders will serve to clarify Japan's intentions regarding both the New Order in East Asia and the European War.

Officials feel that even if a rapprochement is impossible talks may at least be held to alleviate the danger of an early clash in the Pacific which may impair United States aid to Great Britain.

Recently, officials emphasized danger in the Far East, indicating the Government was genuinely concerned over such a possibility.

They reiterated that despite determination to show a firm stand toward any new Japanese moves in southern Asiatic area, there was reason to believe that the administration was anxious to avoid a serious break.—Domei.

Heavy Penalties for Espionage in Japan

Tokyo, Feb. 8.

Unanimously approved by the Lower House Committee the National Security Bill which was introduced by the Government on January 30, this afternoon was sent to the plenary session of the House of Representatives without amendment.

The Committee approved of the draft measure which provides heavy penalties for espionage in diplomatic, political and economic fields as well as for sabotage after Mr. Kaname Akiyama, Director of the Criminal Affairs Bureau of the Ministry of Justice, and Major-General Takayoshi Tanaka, Director of the Recruitment Bureau of the War Office, had reiterated that the objective of the bill lay in combating foreign Powers espionage networks in Japan and after assuring interpellator Hideyoshi Tamura that the legislation would not be utilized to achieve domestic and political aims.—Domei.

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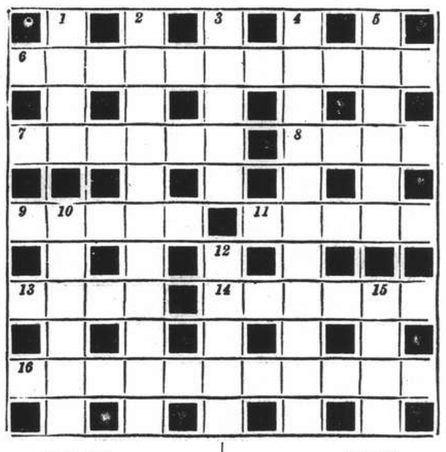

ACROSS

6 No use if you want to sit down while in town (11)
7 A lake, but not in England (6)
8 Salt of a kind (4)
9 You wouldn't care to appear in such a book (5)
11 Not quite a popular tree! (5)
13 Instrument found in a tub (4)
14 No, he doesn't work in silver (6)
16 "Bullets to be" (anag.) (11)

DOWN

1 No sooner does it arrive than it goes off (4)
2 It's certainly not hidden (11)
3 She doesn't pay her maids! (5)
4 A couple of animals start to kill (11)
5 What the General may take on parade (6)
10 How to speak to a deaf person (6)
12 No upright person has one (5)
15 Always puts an end to a fever (4)

The solution will be published tomorrow

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—**ACROSS**: 3, Seine; 8, Malice; 9, Morose; 10, Kitcat; 11, Iolanthe; 12, Egg; 13, Chopin; 14, Homework; 17, Entered; 19, Abreast; 23, Practice; 27, Catchy; 29, Auk; 30, Eclipsed; 31, Lyrics; 32, Brutal; 33, Solely; 34, Finch. **DOWN**: 1, Danish; 2, Disciple; 3, Sentence; 4, Insight; 5, Emblem; 6, Ere now; 7, Esther; 13, Cheap; 15, Ear; 16, Kitty; 18, Rut; 20, Backlash; 21, Enthrall; 22, Headman; 24, Record; 25, Chintz; 26, Itself; 28, Hackle.

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		At Cathedral		At Siccawei	
Temperature	yesterday	min. 37.5	max. 50.0	min. 34.7	max. 53.8
„	same date last year	min. 26.0	max. 40.0	min. 24.1	max. 42.6

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TO-DAY'S EVENTS

FEBRUARY

9 S'hai Municipal Orchestra Lyc. 5.15
9 Second Japanese bombardment of Woosung (1932)

COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

11 American Junior Chamber Commerce Chinese Language Classes begin to-day
12 Postage Stamp auction, 4th fl. Arnhold Bldg. 5.30
12 Cathedral School Old Boys Ass. Annual Meeting. 39 Myburgh Rd. 5.30 p.m.
13 For. Y. Debate-"Ethical Code vs Orthodox Christianity" 9. p.m.
13 R. L. Op. "Les Cloches de Corneville" Lyc. 8.15
13 Royal Asiatic Society: Mr. E. Kann on "Chinese Carved Ivories" 5.30 p.m.
14 For. Y. "Evening of Music" under direction Prof. S. S. Aksakov. 9 p.m.
16 Christian Science Broadcast XMHA 6.30
17 Engineering Society Meeting 5.45 p.m.
17 S.A.C.S. "Western motives in Chinese Art." by A. H. Burling. For Y. 5.30
22 Jewish Recreation Club Annual Dance at Shanghai Race Club 9.30 p.m.
27 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg S.I.B.C. 3 p.m.
28 Rover Scout Concert, Lyceum, 9
28 Special Soiree, in aid of St. Tichon's Orphanage, French Club 9.30 p.m.

MARCH

1 Rover Scout Concert, Lyceum, 3
6 Ballet Russe and Municipal Orchestra in Glazunov's "Seasons". Symphonic ballet and "Stenka Razin" historical pantomime Lyceum Theatre 9.15
8 Ballet Russe and Municipal Orchestra Lyc. 9.15
9 Ballet Russe and Municipal Orchestra Lyc. matinee at 2.15 evening at 9.15

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Barometer (inches)	30.38	30.42	30.35	30.36
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.03	+0.03	—0.02	—0.05
at 32 F. („ „ 12 hrs.)	+0.01	+0.01	—0.03	—0.06
Wind (direction)	NE	NE	NE	ENE
„ (miles per hour)	11.2	11.8	9.0	11.2
Temperature (Fahr.)	40.8°	39.0°	35.8°	43.9°
Humidity (per cent.)	75	78	84	70
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	5	3	1
Rainfall (inches)	—	0.00	—	—

Feb. 7	Mean 1941	24 hrs. variation	68 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.39	+0.06	30.30
Temp. min. 40.1° Max. 45.7°	42.9°	—0.4°	37.0°
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	3.01	0.00	2.55

Time and Tide	9/2	10/2	11/2	12/2	13/2	14/2	15/2
Sun rises at Shanghai	6.42	6.41	6.41	6.40	6.39	6.38	6.37
Sun sets at Shanghai	17.35	17.36	17.37	17.38	17.39	17.40	17.41
Moon rises at Shanghai	14.59	15.58	17.00	18.04	19.08	20.13	21.19
Moon sets at Shanghai	4.04	4.54	5.41	6.26	7.10	7.52	8.33
Flood makes Shai. (day)	8.05	9.05	10.00	10.46	11.30	12.21	13.00
Ebb makes Shai. (day)	13.54	14.38	15.14	15.50	16.28	17.10	17.56
L.W. W'sung Bar (day)	11.00	11.40	12.18	12.54	13.35	14.15	14.50
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	8.85	—	7.40	7.73	8.19	8.53	8.79

THE WEATHER

(See top of page, left)

State on the morning of the 7th:—High and rising pressure over China and Japan. Strong monsoon along the China Coast. Fine, cold weather overcast in places in China.

State on the morning of the 8th:—Fine, cloudy and colder weather. North-easterly breezes. High and steady pressure.—Siccawei Observatory.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

(See top of page, right)

The following times apply to the Head Post office Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

SUNDAY, February 9.	Reg.	Ord.
Hongkong and Canton	9.30	10.00
Aust. N.Z. S.S. Ceylon India and Suez (via Colombo)	9.30	10.00
Hongkong	9.30	10.00
Japan (via Kobe) Honolulu U.S.A. Canada and Europe via Pacific	16.00	19.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
MONDAY, February 10.		
Chefoo and Tientsin	*19.00	8.00
Shenkiamen and Tinghai	9.30	10.00
Hongkong and Canton	11.00	11.30
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	18.30	20.00
TUESDAY, February 11.		
Amoy Swatow and Canton	x*20.00	7.15
Amoy	*20.00	7.30
Swatow	8.30	9.00
Weihaiwei Chefoo & Tientsin	9.30	10.00
Nantung	14.30	15.00
Australia New Zealand and Manila	17.30	18.30
Hongkong and Canton	18.00	18.30
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	19.30	20.00

* The night before
x Provisional time—subject to alterations.

Next parcel mail for U.S.A. closes on Feb. 24, 1941.

Canton-Hanoi-Bangkok Air Mail

Air mails close every Sunday and Wednesday at 8 p.m. for registered and ordinary for transmission per Shanghai-Canton Air Line to connect with the aeroplane leaving Canton on Friday. The air mails may also be sent per available steamer to Canton via Hongkong.

Netherlands K.L.M. Air Mail Service (Batavia-Lydda) per steamer to Singapore.

Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways per available steamer to Saigon.

Domestic Air Mail

Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line at noon and 10.30 p.m. at Yuhang Road Sub-Office daily at 11.30 a.m. and 10 p.m.

Hwaining Kiukiang and Hankow per Shanghai-Hankow Air Line daily at 10.30 p.m.

Ningsia, Shensi, Szechuen, Yunnan Kweichow; Hupeh (Shasi and west) and west to Hongkong for the Hongkong-Chungking plane.

Peiping, Tientsin, Tsinan, Tungshan, Kaigan, Tatung, Kweisui, Paotow, Shanhaikwan, Shihkiachwang, Changte, Kaifeng, Taiyuan and Yuncheng by the planes of the Chung Hwa Air Transport Co. close at 9.20 p.m.

Tsingtao per Shanghai-Tsingtao-Dairen Air Line close at 10.30 p.m.

Canton per Shanghai-Canton Air Line close at 10.30 p.m. on Sundays and Wednesdays.

Light Train Mail

Via N.S.R. 9 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Kiangpei offices north and west of Jukao 9 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Via S.H.N.R. 12.30 p.m. for Sungkiang and Hangchow 12.30 p.m. and 10.30 p.m.
North Pinghan and Lunghai Line at 9 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Wuhu, Tatung, Hwaining, Kiukiang and Hankow 9 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Remark: For Europe via Siberia:—Mails for Europe and U.S.S.R. via Siberia despatched per trains via Nanking and T'tsin to connect with the Trans-Siberian trains, (for time of closing see above).

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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Dr. Barnado's Home

Ladies of Naval Office	$15
Jack, Mrs. M.	5

IN MEMORY OF RICHARD CORBETT

McLorn, Mrs. Florence	$10
Auntie Agnes and Uncle Harold	10

I.C. Milk Fund

Calvay Mansions	$271		
Dr. H. Nossen M.D.	5		
N.N.	101	N.N.	1
S.M.Joseph	20	Anon	2
N.N.	8	N.N.	5
Wilhelm Hirsch	5	H.B.Gravlii	50
Imber, Fred	5	M.H.Hunt	20

I.C. Relief Fund

Karl Haas	$100

St. Patrick's Society

IN MEMORY OF MASTER RICHARD A. CORBETT

Byrne, Mr/Mrs. and Francis John	$15

B.W.A. War Work Fund

IN MEMORY OF MRS. GERTRUDE MARY CLEMENTS

D.O.M.E.	$20

St. Tichon's Orphanage

Mrs. A. Callant	$50

The King's Daughters' Society Golden Jubilee Appeal

Previously acknowledged	$25,636		
Associated Foreign Charities	3,500		
'A" Tithe from El dori"	3		
Hawes, Mr. J. P. "in memory of Mrs. Nellie Rowsell"	5		
Scott Harding & Co.	50		
Hutchison, Mr/Mrs. J. D. A.	25		
Williams, Miss Nellie	20		
Trivett, A.C.S. Dean	50		
Trueman, Mrs. A. E.	100		
William Hunt & Co.	200		
Staff & Pupils of Public & Thos Hanbury School for Boys	148		
Rayden, Mr/Mrs. F.	100		
Klausner, Mr/Mrs. Leo	20		
von Meyerburg, C. S.	50		
Hinder, Miss Eleanor	100		
League of Russian Women	25		
Williams Mr. Edward	50		
Hawes,Mr.J.P.	10	Garcia,R.F.	15
Porter,C.W.	200	Hallford,E.L.	200
Macrae,Rev.C.F.	120	Baer,Mrs.A.	120
Oliver,Mrs.E.P.	50	Daniels,Mrs.A.J.	20
Abbott,Mrs.W.E.	25	Parrott,Mrs.D.H.	50
Harper,W.	150	Ward,Mrs.L.M.	10
Dangoor,M.E.	25	Barbash,B.H.	20
Lucas,Mrs.N.G.	25	Causey,Mrs.B.D.	50
Seaward,E.T.	11		

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READY—TAILORED
FLANNEL and WORSTED TROUSERS
IN ALL FITTINGS

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SPORTS COATS

in smart English, Scotch and Homespun Tweeds

TROUSERS AND SPORTS COATS MADE TO MEASURE

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MACHINERY

Wanted to buy

Thread Grinding Machines Bit (meches) 3/8 x 3, ¼ x 2½ in. and Inside Micrometre Calipers (metric)

Offer with particulars to Box 952, NCDN.

-1708

Positions Vacant

Do not enclose original testimonials when replying to advertisements. Copies answer the same purpose.

AMERICAN Accountant (Male). Must have some knowledge of typing and preferably shorthand also. Salary in U. S. Currency. Give references and experience. Box 943, NCDN.

10701

COMPETENT, experienced and dependable Secretary/Stenographer for part time work. Good English essential. State nationality, past experience and daily remuneration required. References. Box 944, NCDN.

10701

WANTED first-class violonist and cellist for private and eventually public performances of chamber music. Box 994, NCDN. -1975

ENGLISH-SPEAKING Chinese or Eurasian lady with good social connections wanted for promotion of business contacts by a foreign professional man. Box 1012, NCDN. -2004

ENGLISH-SPEAKING Chinese salesman required by well-known firm of manufacturing chemists to detail physicians and hospitals. Apply with references giving full particulars of experience, etc. to Box 799, NCDN. 10599

WANTED mannequin, for first-class dress-salon. Apply personally, Monday, Salon Marthe, Palace Hotel.

-1912

Business Opportunities

BOARDING house, fully occupied, for sale. Owner leaving. 9 double rooms facing south. 3 single rooms, servants quarters, garage, garden, including complete furniture, linen porcelain, silver, etc. Box 1025, NCDN. -2025

OPPORTUNITY offered to invest in shares manufacturing concern abroad. Address Box 997. NCDN. -1981

CAFE-restaurant, French Concession, furnished in modern European style, for sale. Address Box 1004, NCDN.

-1945

BEAUTY parlour for sale in French Concession. Going concern, good clientele, good profit. Apply 240 Avenue Roi Albert. -1993

LACE shop for sale: good location, nice furniture and decorations. Reasonable price. 292 Avenue Petain (corner Route Cohen), 4-6 p.m. -1921

JUNIOR partner wanted for import and export firm, foreign. Must have business experience. Box 895, NCDN.

-1722

Miscellaneous

REFRIGERATORS. Buy, sell, hire, repair. Russian Electric Co., telephone 74816. -1731

Radios

GAROD, 8-tube all-wave a.c./d.c., built-in aerial, 1941 model, new condition. US$35. Address Box 1005, NCDN. -1996

WE hire, sell, buy, exchange and repair radios. Universal Radio Co., 280 Kiangse Road, telephone 11995.

10581

3 POINT world receiver assures first-class world reception, only RCA tubes and American loudspeakers used. 6 tube US$13.50; 7 tube with magic eye US$15. Demonstration without obligation. 3 Point European Radio Factory, 33 Chusan Road, Telephone 50283. -1910

RADIO OK? For guaranteed repairs, moderate charges, genuine parts, telephone 43383, Chang's Radio Corp. -1546

RADIO repairs, at your home, too, by highly recommended European technician. Stock, 805/43 Seward Road.

10497

Personal

A lonely lady would like to meet British/American educated gentleman of good standing, not under 35. Address Box 1018, NCDN. -2013

FOREIGN young man, handsome, good standing, gold dollars, view matrimony, wishes meet attractive young lady. State particulars, preferably with passport photo, confidentially write Box 1019, NCDN. -2017

LONELY mildle aged widow wishes to meet lonely gentleman of good standing for companionship. Box 1023, NCDN.

-2024

FOREIGNER of good standing, desires friendship and exchange of language with young, attractive Chinese lady. Box 972, NCDN. -1935

AUSTRIAN, 32, in good position, serious and lonely, would like to meet an educated lady for steady friendship. Box 898, NCDN. -1780

ATTRACTIVE, middle-aged lady wishes meet gentleman for friendship. No refugees. Box 1001, NCDN. -1997

FOREIGNER of good standing desires friendship and exchange of language with young attractive Eurasian lady. Address Box 923, NCDN. -1765

Positions Wanted

Advertisements under this heading only are accepted at the rate of fifteen dollar cents per word per insertion, with a minimum charge of $2.10.

BEAUTY culture expert, speaking English and Japanese, seeks half day employment. Address Box 1017, NCDN.

-2013

FOREIGN industrial chemist (with research laboratory), own formulae, seeks position. Box 995, NCDN. -1976

30 YEARS old merchant, expert for restaurants and in victualling, costs of maintenance, provisions, first-class purchaser, very well-experienced, can prove best references, seeks position. Post Office Box 2121. -1946

YOUNG lady, shorthand-typist, beginner, knowledge English, French, seeks position. Address Box 979, NCDN.

-1950

PERFECT, reliable bookkeeper, internal auditor, business supervisor, speaks English, French, Italian and German, eighteen years' experience, highest references. Address Box 960, NCDN.

-1902

YOUNG, attractive lady seeks position as shop assistant, receptionist, speaks English and German. Address Box 1003, NCDN. -1903

QUALIFIED nurse seeks position as private nurse or in a hospital, recently arrived from Singapore. A1 references. Box 882, NCDN. -10732

YOUNG MAN, experienced in accounting and general office work, seeks position. Possesses first-class knowledge of English and Russian; also speaks Chinese. Address Box 996, NCDN.

-1993

TEXTILE engineer, highly experienced in weaving and finishing of men's and ladies' woollen worsted materials, open for engagement. Box 949, NCDN.

-1883

CASHIER accountant seeks position, experienced, good references, substantial cash guarantee. Box 913, NCDN.

-1799

YOUNG Chinese experienced, knowledge French, English, typewriting, bookkeeping, seeks position at any reasonable remuneration. Box 870, NCDN.

-1794

ACCOUNTANT, foreigner, 12 years' experience with important British and American firms, excellent references, an ex-service disabled man, now in Tientsin, wants to improve his position. Box 965, NCDN. -1920

Cameras

LEICA Summar F 5 cm. 1.2 speed 1/1000 US$125. Sixtus light meter US$16.50. Telephone 19202 for inspection. 10733

ZEISS Ikoflex new 1:2.8, 6 x 6, latest model, catalogue price US$278, at US$100. Box 1014, NCDN. -2007

WANTED: camera, good optics and 8 mm. film camera, projector, enlarger, binoculars. Box 1010, NCDN. -2002

ROLLEIFLEX twin-lens camera in ever-ready case with Tessar F3.5 lens, three filters, two proxar and lens hood All in excellent condition, for $1,200 Box 930, NCDN. 10690

BEFORE leaving end February, buy 8 mm. film camera projector, good camera. Box 801, NCDN -1619

Holiday Resorts

BEAUTIFUL Tsingtao, Miramer House, British owned, half-way between town and Strand Beach, offers accommodation. Reasonable terms. Open all the year round. Cable Slater, 24 Lai Yang Road. 10726

Beauty Culture, etc.

Advertisements under this heading are carefully scrutinized before accentance, and though no guarantee can be given readers may be reasonably assured of their bona fides.

KAY Beauty Shop, 1702 Avenue Joffre, open: weekdays 9 a.m.-6 p.m. -1761

LADY gives general massage, manicure 10-7 p.m. 205 Peking Road, Apartment 30. Second Floor. -1501

MASSAGE. 360 Rue Bourgeat, Room 2, from 2 to 10 p.m. -1484

OPEN! Tina Beauty Parlour, 404 I.S.S. Apartment, 1920 Joffre, telephone 77590. Permanent waves, hairdressing, hair-dyeing, paper-waves, manicure.

-1819

MASSAGE, pedicure, ingrown nails cured. 9 Central Arcade, from Ezra Road 93-94. Telephone 11984. -1689

Mortgages and Loans

WANTED loan in American dollars against title deed property. Reply Box 1003. NCDN. -1994

MORTGAGES, loans given against title deeds, properties. American currency. Reasonable terms. Box 3265. NCDN. 10587

For Sale—Miscellaneous

BLACK duco bedroom suite, twin beds, living and dining room furniture made by Tai Chong. Box 1021. NCDN. -2023

HERMES Baby 1939 typewriter for sale. Emigrants' Thrift Shop, 55 Nanking Road, telephone 16633. 10731

ACCORDION, made in Klingenthal. 96 basses, for sale in US$.280 Broadway. Cafe Magnet. 10729

DINNER and coffee sets with flowers; coffee set Empire style; fish set; each for 12 persons. General Magazine, 337 Avenue Haig. 2020

EUROPEAN made crystalware, cutlery, plated goods, paintings, household implements, trunks. "Bargain," 781 East Seward Road. -2021

SHIRTS made to measure, guaranteed English materials, semi-stiff collars, latest designs from $19.50. Razon's, 12 Central Road. 10735

TWO diamond brooches for sale to private party only. Box 989, NCDN.

-1963

LADY'S diamond ring, bargain, $600. Zeiss binocular "Silvamar," new, US$45. Radio big Super world receiver "Stassfurt," almost new, bargain, US$75. Siegbert Salinger. 810/65 East Seward Road, 12-2 and 4-6. -1979

PRECISION analytical scale (new), special bargain. Telephone 12160.

-2012

BRILLIANTS, platinum, gold, bought, sold to your best advantage. European Jewellers. 346 Szechuen Road. Room 107. Telephone 14582. -2021

FOR dentist, electrical stove for jacket crowns and porcelain works, for sale. Box 999, NCDN. -1959

EXCELLENT broadtail Persian furcoat as new, big size, (cost Germany Goldmark 6,000), $4,500 only. No brokers. 10 Route Edan, corner Prosper Paris.

-2007

BROADTAIL skins, highest quality and squirrel fur, each for one coat, cheap. Telephone 37337. -1971

PIANO-accordion, eighty basses, in perfect order. 69 Route Tenant de la Tour. Telephone 71331. -1973

ACCORDION Hohner, 80 and 120 basses, for sale. Address Box 982, NCDN.

-1925

ONE 99 per cent new 12-bore double-barrel gun by Western Arms Corp., Ithaca, N.Y., $600. Address Box 990, NCDN. -1965

PERSIAN lamb coat, as new, best material, in private possession, moderate price. Box 955, NCDN. -1680

EUROPEAN genuine silver chandeliers and various silver jardiniers. 1310 Avenue Joffre, European Art. -1289

CLEARANCE sale. Don't miss this opportunity. Squirrel furcoat $650; mink marmot $450. Lolo Style Furs, 234/A Route Vallon. -1911

ROLL-TOP desk, Singer machine, bedroom suite, radio, some miscellaneous pieces. Telephone 20167 or 21311. 1207 Yu Yuen Road. -1919

DIAMOND ring, blue water, best European work, beautifully fashioned, for sale. Box 934, NCDN. -1960

BREAKING up old stamp collection, No dealers. Address Box 904. NCDN.

-1784

BLUTHNER grand-piano; black case; superb tone; recently overhauled; what offers? Address Box 924, NCDN.

-1672

FERRO silicon for sale from stock Shanghai. Please address Box 932, NCDN. -1847

FOR SALE, one dining-room suite, 11 pieces, £12. Telephone 75070.

-1838

BEDROOM suite Simmons Slumber King double-bed $900; dining room $400; sitting room $400; Frigidaire $1,000; single Simmons big size bed $250. Other articles of furniture also. Smith, Yulin Police Station, Telephone 52250. -1939

GOLD cigarette-case, Louis XVI style. Beautiful workmanship, for sale. Box 985, NCDN. -1965

COLOURED towels, 80 cents; lace curtains, $6.30; kimonoes, $23.50; bedsheet sets, $32.50. Lace and Linen Syndicate. 114 Peking Road. 10636

NICK'S furniture shop. Buying, selling furniture, carpets, refrigerators etc. Telephone 73937, 146 Route des Soeurs. -200

LIQUIDATION sale, reductions up to 50%. Crystalware, porcelains, dinner sets, crystal glass sets, lately imported. Red and Black, 277 Avenue Petain. Sunday open 10-1. -1778

SECONDHAND furniture, carpets, refrigerators, bought and sold at best prices, at G. Feiner's, 306 Rue Bourgeat, telephone 73597. -1446

AQUAMARINE ring with 22 small diamonds, European make, very stylish, for sale. Box 986, NCDN.

-1910

"HOOVER" allround cleaner, massage apparatus, hair-dryer, cooker, toaster, selling cheap. 2/111 Peking Road. 10641

RARE stamps for sale, issued by Foreign Post Offices in China (British, French, Italian, Japanese and U.S.A.) No brokers. Apply Post Office Box 885.

-916

MOBILE oil stock 1,600 gallons winter grade, quality guaranteed, liquidating at sacrifice. Address Box 863, NCDN.

-1729

THREE select Persian rugs, one big size carpet, in excellent condition. Box 865, NCDN. -1720

MAGNIFICENT piece: Lady's nutria furcoat, new, medium size. 1074/4 Bubbling Well Road, 1-2, 8-9 p.m. -1674

SUITLENGTHS, famous London brand, especially smart designs. View 10-12. 150 Kiukiang Road, Room 303. -1916

JOSEPH Lang DB single trigger 12B highest grade sporting-gun, perfect condition, for sale or exchange for 20B. Box 974, NCDN. -1926

TWO single beds, Slumber King, Deep-sleep mattress. Telephone 73167.

-1939

FOR SALE, about 400 Imperial gallons lemon juice, make offers to Box 954, NCDN. -1689

Clothing and Fabrics

PURE linen bedsheets, towels and napkins, beautiful qualities, for sale. Address Box 961, NCDN. -1903

TABLE cloths and napkins, best European pure linen qualities. Excellent values. Box 750, NCDN.

-1334

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